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STORM BREWING IN EUROPE

Attention Again Focussed On Danzig

Although there have only been minor incidents, such as those in Czecho-Slovakia and Danzig, to trouble the outward serenity of European international relations, latest advices from London and Paris indicate that another storm is brewing.

Both the British and French press is indulging in speculation as to where and when the next blow will fall.

Concensus of informed opinion is that Danzig will again become the focal point of attention, probably within the very near future.

"Intransigeant," in Paris, according to a Trans-Ocean message, says there is every reason to believe that this week world attention will be focussed on Danzig.

Germany, according to the newspaper, is staging a number of big events in the Free City, in order to proclaim with renewed insistence its demand for reincorporation of Danzig in the Reich.

STRANG VISIT

These demonstrations are to culminate in a speech by Dr. Joseph Goebbels, the Nazi Propaganda Minister.

Other newspapers wonder what will be the outcome of the visit to Moscow of Mr. William Strang, the British Foreign Office expert, who will negotiate with Russian officials in connection with the proposed Anglo-Franco-Soviet pact.

FRANCE TO BUY DIVING BELLS

Paris, To-day.

In view of the recent submarine catastrophes the French Ministry of Navy have decided to buy in America four diving bells of the type used to save a part of the crew of the "Squalus."

The French naval attache in Washington has been instructed by his Government to open negotiations with the United States Government and manufacturers.—Trans-Ocean.

FOREIGNERS' NARROW ESCAPE IN AIR RAID

CHUNGKING, TO-DAY.

THE GERMAN EMBASSY WAS SERIOUSLY DAMAGED DURING THE JAPANESE AIR RAID ON CHUNGKING ON SATURDAY NIGHT.

Two stones, each weighing more than 100 pounds, were hurled about 30 metres, smashing through the roof as well as the ceiling of the upper story. The ceiling has fallen down littering the whole building with stucco, debris and timber.

The representatives of the Diplomatic Corps visited the Charge d'Affaires, Herr Siebert, expressing congratulations on the narrow escape and offering use of their dugouts. The Embassy staff is now engaged in removing the files and furniture. It is hoped that the removal of the Embassy offices to another building will be completed by this evening.

ANXIETY FELT

Chungking foreign circles express anxiety in view of the new Japanese tactics of raiding after nightfall, when the darkness makes impossible proper aiming, the bombs thereby endangering foreign buildings, Embassies and firms.

It is pointed out that a month ago the Japanese bombers arrived over Chungking when daylight still made aiming possible. — Trans-Ocean.

NAZI CHIEF OF STAFF'S VISIT

Berlin, To-day.

The Chief of the German General Staff, General Halder, according to an official announcement, will visit the Estonian and Finnish armies at the end of this month.

General Halder, it is added, will thereby return the visits paid recently to the German army by the Chief of the Estonian General Staff, General Reek and the Finnish Commander in Chief, General Oestermann.—Trans-Ocean.

CIANO TO VISIT SPAIN THIS MONTH

Madrid, To-day.

It is now almost certain that the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, will visit Spain in the second half of June.

The invitation is reported to have been made to him by M. Serrano Suner, the Spanish Minister of Interior who is at present visiting Italy.—Trans-Ocean.

NETHERLANDS REORGANISING DEFENCE FORCES

The Hague, To-day.

Reorganisation of the Netherlands Defence Force is to be taken in accordance with a royal decree issued ordering that the present peace divisions be converted into army corps, the brigades into divisions, and the light brigades into light divisions.

The artillery brigades will be abolished and both regiments of each brigade distributed to the divisions.

By this reorganisation not only the peace strength will be brought up to war strength but a closer co-operation between the various sectors of the defence forces between artillery and infantry assured. — Trans-Ocean.

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Britain's Second Singapore

Plans For A Great New Pacific Naval Base

WIDER RANGE FOR EMPIRE WARSHIPS

Plans and estimates for the construction of a "second Singapore" are being prepared for the British and Australian Governments by Sir Leopold Savile, the well-known dock and harbour engineer.

Singapore, in the Straits Settlements, is the world's foremost fortified naval base. In view of world tension, it is likely to be duplicated at Sydney, New South Wales.

Such a base would have vital strategic value to any Empire or Allied fleets operating in the Pacific. It would afford a particularly wide striking range to Britain's warships.

It the plan materialises, as it is expected it certainly will, large docks and repairing bases will be constructed in Sydney Harbour.

Any docks built in future would have to be large enough to accommodate Britain's five 35,000-ton battleships now building.

Two big Australian States, Queensland and Victoria, had both submitted claims for their ports to be considered as naval bases when the idea for docking capital ships to guard the Pacific was first put forward.

Actual provision of these facilities has been held over, pending the report of British experts on the whole question.

Australian experts have already submitted their reports, and it would appear that the advantages of Sydney as the site outweigh all other considerations.

Sydney is the headquarters of the Cockatoo Island Dockyard, capable of building large-sized cruisers. It would be simple matter to set up repair and supply depots at such a point.

A naval base and building establishment at Sydney would have obvious advantages to the British fleet, as well as to the Royal Australian Navy, which ,at present, consists of several cruisers, destroyers and escort vessels.

AUSTRALIAN BUILDING

For a long time now, the possibility of warship construction has been discussed by the Commonwealth and State Governments. Careful investigation of every possibility of making it practicable have been made. These investigations have been carried out under the auspices of the Federal Government.

During the war, several destroyers were built in the Cockatoo Dockyard, and they proved successful ships in every way. They were 26-knot vessels of 700 tons, equipped with four-inch guns and torpedo tubes. Others were built on the Clyde, taken to pieces, and re-erected in Australia.

One result of Australian firms placing orders for ships in British yards has been to arouse interest in the Commonwealth in their own shipbuilding and repairing industry. It has been pointed out that many harbours, particularly Sydney, are already ideally situated and equipped for ship construction.

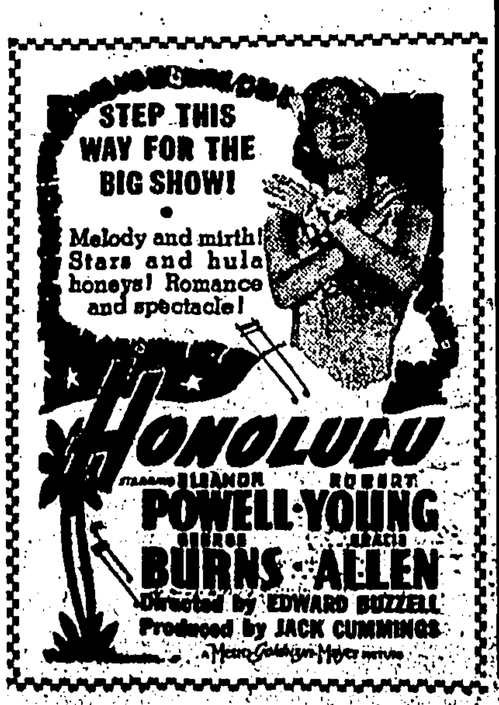
£9,000,000 DOCK

Singapore as a naval base was onl completed last year, when Sir Shenton Thomas, Governor of the Straits Settlements and High Commissioner for Malaya, opened the King George VI. Graving Dock. Previously, warships being docked at Singapore were placed in the large floating dock.

The Graving Dock is big enough to accommodate the biggest capital ships afloat or building. Its construction cost more than £9,000,000. It invovled the conversion of wide areas of swamp and rubber land. Miles of railway lines were laid and many buildings erected.

The Graving Dock is nearly 1,000 feet long, the width at the entrance is 135 feet, and the depth overall at low water is 35 feet.

More than 6,000,000 cubic yards of earth were excavated in shifting hills, and more than 8,000,000 cubic yards went to fill the swamps.



PALESTINE LAND AGREEMENT

Jerusalem, To-day.

An agreement on the sale of land in Palestine has been reached between the Colonial Office and the mandate authorities, the newspaper "Palestin" reports.

Palestine would be divided into 17 regions, in eight of which any sale of land from Arabs to Jews would be prohibited; in six regions sale would need the permission of the British High Commissioner, and in the remaining three the sale to Jews would be free.—Trans-Ocean.

CZECHS SACKED FROM SKODA WORKS

Warsaw, June 3.

The official P.A.T. news agency announced to-day that several thousand Czech workers have been dismissed from the Skoda munitions plants and replaced by Germans brought from the Reich.

The decision was taken, the agency said, because of repeated attempts at sabotage.

Furthermore, 80 Czech workers have been dismissed from industrial establishments in Witkowice.—Havas.

D.B.S. CARRIES ON: A FEW BOYS RETURN

"The School is carrying on as usual," the "China Mail" was informed by Mr. G. Goodban, headmaster of the Diocesan Boys' School, this morning. "There have been no disturbances to-day."

A few of the students who absented themselves yesterday returned to their classes this morning, and more are expected to follow suit shortly.

Increase In Danzig Tension: German View Of Incident

DANZIG, TO-DAY.

AN ATTEMPT BY A POLISH CUSTOMS INSPECTOR TO TAKE TWO DANZIG STORM-TROOPERS ACROSS THE POLISH FRONTIER AS WELL AS A FIRM REJECTION BY THE POLISH GOVERNMENT OF DANZIG DEMANDS FOR A LIMITATION OF THE ACTIVITIES OF POLISH CUSTOMS OFFICIALS IN DANZIG HAS LED TO A DECIDED INCREASE IN TENSION BETWEEN POLAND AND GERMANS OF THE FREE CITY.

Authoritative Danzig circles expressed the opinion yesterday that economic reprisals threatened by Poland in the event that the Danzig Government attempts to interfere with the activities of Polish Customs officials would only serve to expose the present untenable situation and to accelerate the inevitable development.

It is announced in official circles that the Polish answer to the Danzig note has not influenced the official attitude and that the Danzig Government does not intend to change measures which have been planned against Polish officials.

SPYING CHARGE

Cross-examination of Inspector Lipinski, of the Polish Customs, has revealed (according to official quarters) that he was involved in espionage which cannot be justified on the grounds of Danzig laws.

The Polish assertion that Polish Customs official in Danzig are concerned only with the Customs is contradicted by an admission obtained from Inspector Lipinski, it is stated.

Regarding details which led up to his arrest, it is now declared that Inspector Lipinski, posing as a German reserve officer, invited Storm-Troopers to have a drink with him and continued to provide them with drinks until he believed they were sufficiently inebriated; he then proposed a trip to Gdynia.

Having reached the village of Bohnsack, to which point he had brought the Storm-Troopers in a taxi, Inspector Lipinski excused himself to make a telephone call to Gdynia, whereupon the Germans became suspicious.

TO BE CHARGED

Words ensued which led to accusations and a quarrel. Inspector Lipinski was finally set upon by the Storm-Troopers and, after being beaten, fled into the woods, but was later found by the police.

During cross-examination, he admitted having been commissioned to bring Storm-Troopers from Danzig to Polish territory.

It was announced here yesterday that he will be brought before the court to answer charges of attempted kidnapping.—Trans-Ocean.

FOOD PROBLEM WITH GASTRITIS

For years, doctors wanted to find a food that would not irritate the inflamed stomach walls of patients suffering from gastritis and that at the same time would rebuild the patient's strength. In severe cases of gastritis solid foods are out of the question, even liquid foods are often vomited. Yet the patient needs quick new strength to rebuild his exhausted body. In Horlicks, doctors and nurses have found an ideal food.

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BRAIN TRUST CAN END MENACE FROM THE AIR

750 PLANE OUTPUT IN BRITAIN

LONDON, TO-DAY.

A TOTAL OF 750 AIRPLANES PER MONTH IS WHAT THE "DAILY TELEGRAPH" BELIEVES TO BE THE OUTPUT OF THE BRITISH AIRPLANE INDUSTRY AT PRESENT. IT IS HOPED THAT BY SEPTEMBER THE MONTHLY OUTPUT WOULD HAVE REACHED 1,000 PLANES.

Comparing in the light of these production figures the strength of the R.A.F. with the strength in the air of the Totalitarian States and of Germany in particular, the correspondent declares that the Anglo-French armament programme would not secure the western powers' parity in the air.

Collaboration in the air, which to all probability the German and Italian high command had agreed upon and had been planning already, in detail as well as the superior organisation of the air-forces and the requisite industries of the two countries, secured a dominant position for the axis powers.

Since Britain and France alone are unable to compete with Germany and Italy, the correspondent demands the closest co-operation with the air forces of Russia and Poland. — Trans-Ocean.

"THE KING AND QUEEN BELONG TO US"

Sherbrooke, Quebec Province, To-day.

When the Royal Train crossed the Canadian border, Their Majesties the King and Queen were greeted both by a welcome drop in temperature and by a dense crowd of 100,000 people who gathered to prove that they were once again among their own people.

A resident of Sherbrooke explained:—

"The Americans are a fine people and gave Their Majesties a fine reception, but the King and Queen belong to us!"

A procession at Riviere du Loup last night was Quebec Province's final farewell to Their Majesties, and small towns whose normal population is 8,000 were swollen five times for the occasion. — Reuter.

"We Can Drive Bomber From The Skies," Scientists Claim

Immediate use of the best brains in England to devise new methods of defeating bombers, is now being demanded in scientific circles.

Professor J. D. Bernal, who has just been appointed a member of Sir John Anderson's "brain trust" of eight eminent scientists, to advise the nation on A.R.P., made the sensational claim that a sum of £250,000 spent on fundamental research could get rid of the air menace within two years.

For complete safety, he envisaged first a system of deep air-raid shelters, then two years' intensive investigation which would end by driving the bomber from the skies, by developing aerial "mines," improving the balloon barrage, and devising new high precision instruments of ground defence.

This branch of research, says "Discovery," the scientific periodical published by the Cambridge University Press, is not being treated seriously enough.

"These are not normal times," the journal declares. "The problem is urgent: there is an imperative need for organisation, a sum of money negligible as military expenditure goes (say, £100,000 or £200,000) and a faith that the problem can be solved."

NOT WORTH THE CANDLE

Dr. C. P. Snow, editor of the journal, reveals that Lord Rutherford, "the greatest and most realistic of English physicists", had no doubt that the air raid menace could be ended, and in quite a short time.

"About a year before his death in 1937," writes Dr. Snow, "he said that within a few years it should be possible to bring down such an immense proportion of attacking aeroplanes as to make air warfare not worth the candle.

"This view is shared by many of the best and most inventive minds in England to-day. Somehow, by air mines or in some other fashion, aeroplanes can be stopped. It needs the organisation of a team of our best scientists, and a tenth of the cost of a single submarine. If it were done, it would at last let science get back to its proper work."

BRAINS TRUST

The appointment of the A.R.P. "brains trust" was the result of public pressure.

Whether the creation of such a "brains trust" remains an empty gesture, or whether it will actually be used by Sir John Anderson, depends in the opinion of scientists, on whether public demand for protection remains at a pressure high enough to enforce action.

IMPERIAL'S PLANE SINKS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS FLYING-BOAT VENTURION IS REPORTED TO HAVE SUNK IN THE HOOGLI RIVER, EIGHT MILES FROM CALCUTTA, YESTERDAY.

The flyingboat had alighted on the water and was about to be towed into harbour when the accident occurred.

Four passengers and the crew of five were rescued.

EPPING CRASH

Meanwhile, another air accident is reported from Thornwood, near Epping Forest, where a plane is said to have crashed into an R.A.F. munitions depot.

An explosion occurred, but the extent of the damage is not known. The pilot was seriously injured. — Trans-Ocean.

ROOSEVELT'S 'GOOD LUCK' TO HIS MAJESTY

New York, To-day.

"Good luck to you. All the luck in the world."

These, according to the "New York Herald-Tribune," were President Roosevelt's last words to the King as they shook hands at the station last night.

The President's eldest son, James Roosevelt, is reported to have wished Their Majesties "a pleasant voyage and no icebergs."—Reuter.

SALVAGE OF THETIS THIS MONTH

LONDON, TO-DAY.

REPLYING TO A QUESTION ON THE THETIS IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY, THE PRIME MINISTER, MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN, MENTIONED THAT SALVAGE OPERATIONS WOULD RECOMMENCE IN TWO OR THREE WEEKS.

Lt.-Comm. R.T.H. Fletcher (Labour), amidst Opposition cheers, asked the Premier whether he was aware that public opinion expected the vessel to be raised, and if he realised the extremely bad feeling which would exist if there was any failure in view of the success in raising the German warships at Scapa Flow.

THREE ASSESSORS

Mr. Chamberlain declared the Government also expected the vessel to be raised.

Subsequently the Premier announced that the three assessors appointed to assist Mr. Justice Bucknill at the enquiry would be Captain George Cunningham Menzies (a submarine officer), Captain Archibald Hamilton Ryley (one of the Elder Brethren of Trinity House) and Professor Thomas Bertrand Abell (Professor of Naval Architecture at the University of Liverpool). —Reuter.

AMERICAN LADY INJURED IN CHENGTU RAID

Chungking, To-day.

An American, Mrs. Liljestrand, wife of a medical professor, was injured by flying glass; eight Chinese were killed; and many were injured, in the bombing of the West China Union University near Chengtu by Japanese aircraft, according to telephone messages from foreign sources there.

The university itself is reported to have been hit by six bombs, two of which did not explode. The raiders had previously set fire to buildings in the city.

The casualties are estimated at 500. — Reuter.

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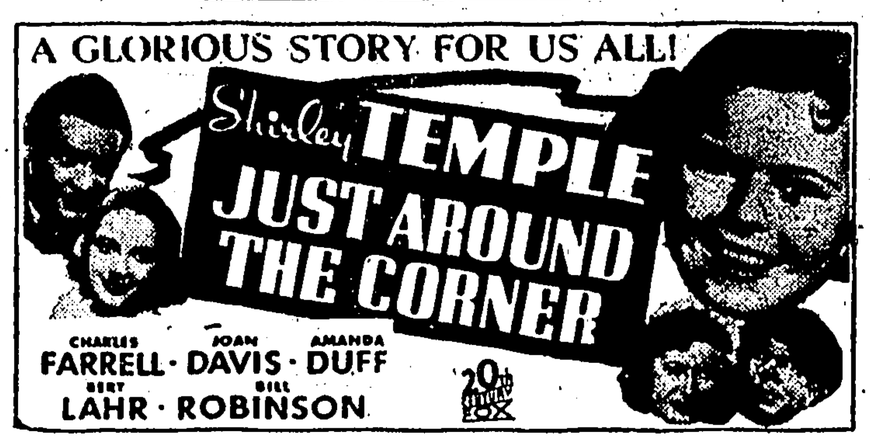

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CHILDREN'S CHARITY FAIR

The Children's Charity Fair will be held at Sir Robert Ho Tung's residence at 254 The Peak at 2 o'clock on Saturday afternoon.

Conveyance has been obtained as follows:

Hong Kong Hotel cars from outside the Hong Kong Hotel at 20 cents per person from 1.30 to 3.30 p.m., and at $1 a car after 3.30; Star taxis from the Star Ferry or the Post Office at $1 a taxi; China Motor Bus Company buses from the Vehicular Ferry, via Blake Pier and the junction of Queen's Road East and Stubbs Road, at 20 cents a person (buses to run half hourly from 1.30 to 6 p.m. and from The Peak 2.30 to 7.30 p.m.); and Peak Tramways return tickets at 40 cents for adults and 20 cents for children.

A FAMILY AFFAIR

Two families staged a fight in the street, Mr. E. Himsworth was told this morning by Sergeant Ruthwell when he prosecuted six people on a charge of fighting.

According to the prosecution, the first family, husband, wife and son, and the latter, husband, wife and daughter, staged a free-for-all fight with clogs in Chatham Road on June 9 when the second member of the first family had spoken badly about the daughter of the latter.

One member of each family was removed to hospital, where they were detained until yesterday.

The families were bound over by the Magistrate.

CONDUIT ROAD BURGLARY

Sentence of six months hard labour was passed by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning on an unemployed, Ho Wah, on a charge of burglary and larceny from the residence of Mr. Frederick Young at 4, Conduit Road, and of receiving stolen property.

Defendant was arrested when one of Mr. Young's "boys" spotted him wearing his (the "boy's") clothes.

All the stolen property, which included clothing, clocks and cigarette cases, was recovered.

SNATCHER'S SIX MONTHS HARD

A bag snatcher, Kong Pui-wing, 19, was severely dealt with by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Convicted for snatching the bag of a Chinese woman in Shanghai Street near Dundas Street yesterday, accused was sentenced to six months' hard labour and eight strokes.

HEAVY FINE IN DRIVING CHARGE

"You can only expect a heavy sentence," remarked Mr. E. Himsworth to 22-year-old unemployed, Li Ching, in the Kowloon Police Court this morning when the latter was charged with driving car No. 1697 without a valid licence; and with driving the car without the permission of the owner, Mr. A. J. V. Smith, of the China Light and Power, Limited.

Accused was fined $5 or seven days' imprisonment on the first charge; and $80 or two months' hard labour on the second charge.

Complainant stated that about 9.30 p.m. on Sunday he left the Alhambra Theatre and went to the Gasgoine Road Car Park. He saw his car being driven in the direction of the Kowloon Magistracy.

He rushed after the car and saw defendant at the wheel. He then asked defendant to accompany him to the Police Station where he was charged.

TRAFFIC OFFENDERS FINED

Mr. J. Fox, of the Royal Naval Dockyard, was summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning for driving motor cycle No. 203, without due care and caution in Repulse Bay Road on May 15.

Traffic-Sergeant Sargeant told the Court that defendant rounded a bend on the wrong side of the road and collided with motor car No. 3304, which was stationary. A fine of $25 was imposed.

Dr. K. Loeffler, of the Asia Life Building, was fined $10, for speeding in Queen's Road East, on May 15.

E. F. Veldhuzen was summoned for leaving his motor car unattended outside the Nederlandsch Indische Handelsbank, in Ice House Street, on May 14. Defendant was fined $5.

MASQUERADED AS REVENUE OFFICER

By pretending they were Revenue Officers, Li Man, 26, unemployed cook, together with three others not in custody, tied up a 24-year-old woman in a house in Canton Road and demanded a sum of $200 or they would take her to the Police Station.

The woman agreed to pay $100, of which $60 was paid immediately and the rest was promised. Li Man went to the house again last night but was arrested by the police.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. E. Himsworth, Li Man was charged with demanding a sum of $60 with menaces and was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

SPANISH REFUGEES IN MEXICO

Mexico City, To-day.

A body of 1,800 Republican Spanish refugees arrived at Vera Cruz yesterday on a French steamer.

Troops were sent to the port in view of demonstrations planned by Fascist organisations. — Trans-Ocean.

FORMATION OF BRITISH OVERSEAS AIRWAYS: GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE BRITISH OVERSEAS AIRWAYS BILL TO ESTABLISH A PUBLIC CORPORATION TO ACQUIRE AND OPERATE IMPERIAL AIRWAYS AND BRITISH AIRWAYS WAS PUBLISHED LAST NIGHT.

The new Corporation is to be called the British Overseas Airways Corporation, and under the Bill national interest and prestige will come first; its statutory duty will be to secure full development, consistent with economy, of efficient overseas air transport services.

The corporation will have a monopoly of the subsidy as regards British overseas air service, but no monopoly on flying. There will remain competition for the carriage of passengers and freight with heavily subsidised national air lines in other countries.

GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY

The Bill provides for a subsidy to be payable to the corporation until December, 1953; the total amount in any year may not exceed £4,000,000 sterling, less £100,000 ear-marked until the end of 1943 for the assistance of internal air-lines.

The Corporation will consist of a chairman, deputy chairman and not more than fifteen members. The Corporation will be empowered to borrow by the issue of Airways' Stock to provide money required to meet the purchase price of transferred undertakings and other capital purposes.

Apart from any temporary excess of purchased stock or paying off of temporary loans, the total sum outstanding at any time in respect of borrowings is not to exceed £10,000,000 sterling.—Reuter.

PAINFUL DISCLOSURE BY MR. BUTLER

LONDON, TO-DAY.

RECENT DISCLOSURES IN GERMANY AND ITALY OF THE EXTENT OF THE INTERVENTION OF THOSE TWO POWERS IN SPAIN IN SUPPORT OF GENERAL FRANCO, HAVE GIVEN RISE TO QUESTIONS IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The Prime Minister's attention was called to Herr Hitler's speech of June 18, in which he stated that he had sent assistance to General Franco as early as July, 1936, and Mr. Chamberlain was asked if this was known to the non-intervention committee.

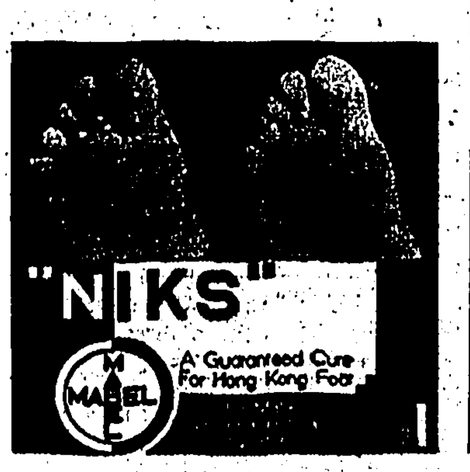
The Premier's attention was also called to the recent declaration of Signor Mussolini that the Italian Government gave all their assistance openly to the Spanish Nationalist authorities from the first day until the end of the Spanish Civil War, and he was asked if the Italian representative on the non-intervention committee at any time informed his colleagues that such assistance was being given.

WELL AWARE

Another member asked if the British Government were aware of the considerable help rendered to General Franco by the Italian navy from the beginning of the Civil War.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who replied, said that neither the German nor Italian representative had ever communicated to the non-intervention committee the information now divulged.

Mr. Butler added that the British Government had been well aware and had often stated that from the beginning of the Civil War in Spain, intervention on both sides had taken place on a considerable scale.—British Wireless.



COMMITTEE FOR COLONIAL AFFAIRS

London, To-day.

Lt.-Comm. R. T. H. Fletcher (Labour) called the Premier's attention in the House of Commons yesterday to the recommendation by Lord Hailey that a standing parliamentary committee for colonial affairs be established.

Lt.-Comm. Fletcher asked Mr. Chamberlain whether he would constitute such a committee.

Mr. Chamberlain said the Colonial Secretary had been examining colonial policy, and the possibility of bringing Parliament into closer and more regular contact with the affairs of the Colonial Empire was not being lost sight of.

Until the Government had completed consideration of the question as a whole, they were not prepared to make a statement.—Reuter.

WATER SUPPLY

Full water supply will be resumed on the island as from 4 o'clock this afternoon, says an official announcement, following completion of the cross-harbour pipe-lines.

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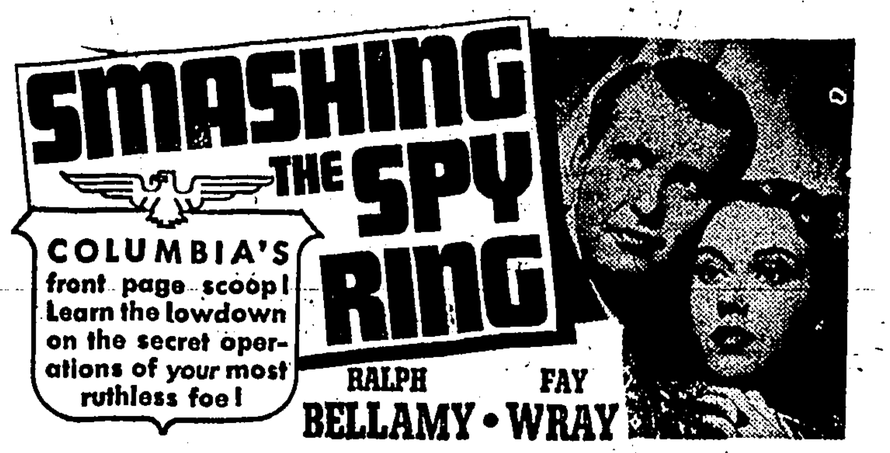

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PRISONER FROM STANLEY IN THE DOCK

An unusual summons was issued against a prisoner of Stanley Prison by Detective-Sergeant H. J. Baldwin on behalf of Mr. H. M. Cassum, owner of the Ceylon Jewellery Shop, of No. 17A, Hankow Road.

As the result, the prisoner, Chan Tat-chau, better known as the "long-wanted man", who had been sentenced to five years' hard labour at the ~~Supreme Court~~ last year on charges of breach of the Deportation Ordinance and escaping from legal custody, was this morning brought before Mr. E. Himsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy to answer a charge of unlawful possession of $150 worth of jewellery, knowing the same to be stolen property. Chan was handcuffed in the prisoners' dock and was guarded by two Officers of Stanley Prison.

Det.-Sgt. Baldwin, who prosecuted, said he arrested Chan last year in a house at Reclamation Street, where the jewellery was found.

It was only recently that the jewellery had been claimed by Mr. Cassum, who identified the articles as those stolen from his shop on Oct. 24 last year.

Defendant stated that all the articles were his own property, having been bought in Canton when he was engaging in the jewellery business.

He was, however, sentenced to six months' hard labour, the sentence to run concurrently with the five years' hard labour given at the Supreme Court.

CATHOLIC CHURCH WRECKED IN JAP. AIR RAID

Chengtu, To-day.

The French Catholic Church here was wrecked during the Japanese air raid on Sunday evening.

The French Consul, Dr. Bechamp, has sent a report on the bombing to the French Embassy in China after an investigation.

Three missiles hit the American-owned West China Union University. One of the foreign professors was seriously wounded while his house was demolished. One bomb fell on the Kwang Yi dormitary of the university, but it proved to be dud.

A girl student, who was wounded, succumbed yesterday.

The house of Dr. Chen Yu-kuang, President of the Nanking University, was also wrecked, and his wife and daughter were wounded. —Central News.

BLOCKADE OF TIENTSIN

Chungking, To-day.

In connection with the Japanese blockade of the British Concession in Tientsin it is learned that all communication lines, including the waterway, leading into the Concession will be closed.

Japanese ex-servicemen in the port city have held several emergency meetings in the past days to discuss their mobilisation and assistance in the blockade.

British garrison troops are patrolling the streets in the Concession as a precaution. — Central News.

THETIS FUND OVER $2,000

The Hong Kong Fund for dependents of those lost in the Thetis disaster, started by the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo and the Hon. Mr. W.N.T. Tam, has now reached $2,240.

The Fund will be closed on Saturday, June 24.

Following is the list of contributions so far received:—

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NEARLY THREE INCHES OF RAIN

A total of 2.65 inches of rain was recorded in the 24 hours ending 10 o'clock this morning. This brings the total since the beginning of the year to 46.35 inches, or 17.01 inches over average.

The Royal Observatory reported this morning that a weak anticyclone covers the Pacific to the east of the Bonins.

An area of low pressure extends from Mongolia to north Japan, and a trough of low pressure extends from Tongking along the coast of South China.

ASSAULTED THEIR TENANT

"If you two people make any further trouble with her or even touch her again, I will send you to prison," said Mr. E. Himsworth this morning to Ng Chai, 43, married woman, and her 21-year-old son, who were charged with assaulting their principal tenant, Ku Shek-mui, at their house in Shek Tong Street last night.

Sergeant Ruthwell, prosecuting, told the Court that the son joined his mother in assaulting the complainant with a clog.

Both defendants were placed on a $10 bond to keep the peace for one year.

Mr. W. E. Hollands, of No. 64 Mount Parish, Kennedy Road, has reported that a raincoat valued at $42 was stolen from his residence yesterday.

While at work yesterday in a garden at No. 131 Mo Kun Ha village, Chun Wan district, a Chinese named Tsang Loi, had a sum of $100 in Hong Kong money stolen from his jacket pocket.

FAR EASTERN SITUATION DEBATED IN LORDS

ANXIETY OVER SHANGHAI'S FATE

London, To-day.

The Far East was to the forefront when the foreign affairs debate in the House of Lords was resumed last night.

Lord Cecil, from the Labour Opposition front bench, said: "I imagine Lord Halifax (the Foreign Secretary) would agree that the controversy which is raging in the terrible war in the Far East is precisely the same controversy as is raging — fortunately not by war — at this moment in Europe.

"It is a broad question that we have to settle: is it legitimate for a country to make aggression or another to carry out what it regards as its material or even political interests; ought there to continue the right of war on the part of any sovereign State?

"That is the real issue, and it is being fought out in the Far East.

"The Japanese invasion of China is being carried out with a ruthlessness which must be the subject of admiration for a certain school in Germany but which would be even impossible in Europe nowadays.

"I should be glad if Lord Halifax would give us an assurance not only that he is sympathetic to China —I think everybody in the House is sympathetic—but that he recognises we ought to do everything possible to assist China and drive back the Japanese invasion from her shores."

WORSE THAN EVER

Lord Elibank said the position in the Far East was worse than ever.

The Yangtse Valley, traditional area of British trade, was entirely closed to us despite the fact that the Japanese were trading all the time.

Currency and trade restrictions were worsening owing to the Yokohama Specie Bank creating a dollar of the same value as the National dollar and insisting that therever possible it be used.

They were having some success, because after all Europeans have to obtain a living.

JAPANESE TRUCULENCE

Dealing with trade from Shanghai to British ports and the United States, Lord Elibank asked the Government to take steps to ensure that consular certificates be given for all goods exported from Shanghai to British ports. He understood an Order-in-Council would suffice for the purpose.

Coming to a far more serious side of the situation, Lord Elibank drew attention to the great anxiety among British residents throughout the East through the truculence of Japanese soldiers and sailors.

He suggested the Government immediately inform the Japanese Government that in reprisal for the blockade of Tientsin, Japanese ships should be denied the use of Singapore and Penang for goods in transit.

MUST DO SOMETHING

That would be a perfectly legal action under international law, and unless we were going to use military force we must use some action of that kind if we were going to counter what Japan was doing in China to British nationals and trade.

Lord Elibank alluded to recent cases of Japanese action against British subjects.

He said it was inconceivable that such a state of affairs should be reached in that part of the world, and he wondered when it was going to be stopped.

TROOPS TO BE WITHDRAWN?

Just when all these cases were going on, there were strong rumours that one of the two battalions quartered in Shanghai was being removed in September.

Two battalions were hardly sufficient to guard the perimeter of the Settlement, and if one was withdrawn the Japanese would certainly interpret it as showing a waning interest on the part of the British Government on this question.

They would probably make it an excuse for seizure of the International Settlement, as they were trying to do at Tientsin and Amoy.

DANGER DATE

"As far as I can learn, it is not an idle rumour that the Japanese had in view the seizure of Shanghai.

"July 7, the second anniversary of the war, is a danger date and it would be unwise to deplete our forces in Shanghai.

"Rather should be strengthen our forces and send further ships in order to prevent seizure if such is contemplated.

TRIPARTITE ACTION

"Such action should be taken in consultation with the French and American authorities.

"The Japanese seem to think the best way of coping with the so-called anti-Japanese campaign in China is to take possession of Chinese who are protected by foreign flags, like in Tientsin and Amoy, and now apparently contemplated in Shanghai.

"If that occurred, trade in Shanghai would decrease practically to nil, because all Chinese as soon as possible would leave the Settlement and repair to the Interior.

"L. G." BRITAIN'S NEXT FILM STAR

London, To-day.

Mr. David Lloyd George will appear on the screen shortly.

His son, Major Richard Lloyd George, recently founded a film company which is now producing its first film.

The next film will show the former Prime Minister engaged in his hobby as an agricultural expert. Mr. Lloyd George, who himself manages his farm at Churt, in Surrey, has repeatedly won prizes at agricultural shows. —Trans-Ocean.

SPEAR CASE: JAPS. NOT JUSTIFIED

LONDON, TO-DAY.

ALLUDING IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS YESTERDAY TO THE SPEAR CASE, THE FOREIGN SECRETARY, LORD HALIFAX, SAID THE BRITISH MILITARY ATTACHE'S JOURNEY WAS DEVOID OF ANY ULTERIOR PURPOSE, AS SUGGESTED BY THE JAPANESE.

However, whatever the Japanese suspicions, they should not have detained Col. Spear once his identity had been established.

Lt. Cooper had reported that Col. Spear was being properly treated, and Lord Halifax had no reason to anticipate that matters regarding Col. Spear would not be satisfactorily settled.

TINKLER CASE

Regarding the Tinkler case, all the facts had not yet been fully took a very unfavourable view of established, but the Government events which happened between the time of his wounding and the time of his death.

The Ambassador in Tokyo had been instructed to protest and to reserve all rights of this country for compensation, which, when the facts had been established, it might be thought right to claim.—Reuter.

BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE

"Any such step as the occupation of Shanghai would mean a vital blow not only to Britain but to Australia, New Zealand and Canada."

Lord Elibank appealed to the Government to take action before it was too late.

Lord Davis said: "Mere declarations of sympathy are cheap. The small British loan, and allowing China to import munitions, was creditable, but Lord Halifax should have taken the lead in responding to Dr. Wellington Koo's eloquent appeal at Geneva.

"The present British policy has destroyed the British Empire's reputation for justice and fair play." — Reuter.

MR. STRANG GIVEN CERTAIN POWERS

PARIS, TO-DAY.

MR. WILLIAM STRANG, THE SPECIAL BRITISH ENVOY TO MOSCOW, WHO IS DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT FOR CENTRAL EUROPEAN AFFAIRS IN THE FOREIGN OFFICE, WILL BE ACCORDED A CERTAIN FREEDOM TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT, ACCORDING TO FRENCH DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES.

He is not only in possession of a number of compromise proposals drawn up by the British and French Governments, but has also been empowered by Lord Halifax to alter these proposals or to interpret them according to his own views, as long as any changes do not deviate from general principles and the direction of negotiations.

The Quai d'Orsay was inactive yesterday morning because M. Georges Bonnet, the Foreign Minister, did not return from his week-end in the country until towards noon.

The Council of Ministers expected to take place yesterday forenoon will not be held until to-day forenoon. — Trans-Ocean.

JAP. RAIDS IN KIANGSI

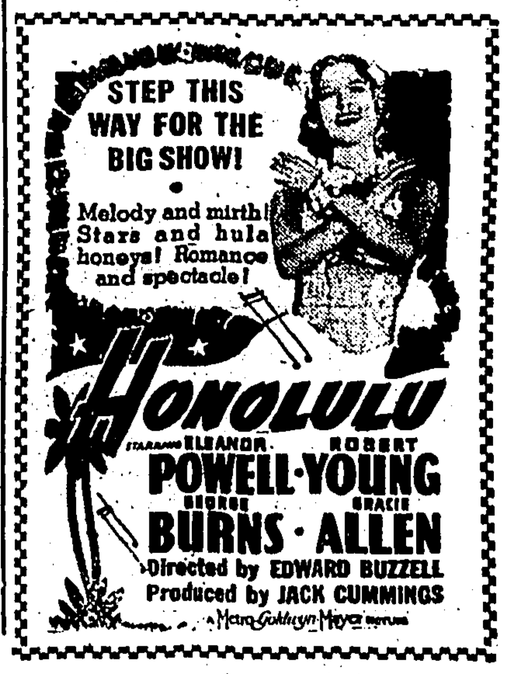
Kian, Kiangsi, To-day.

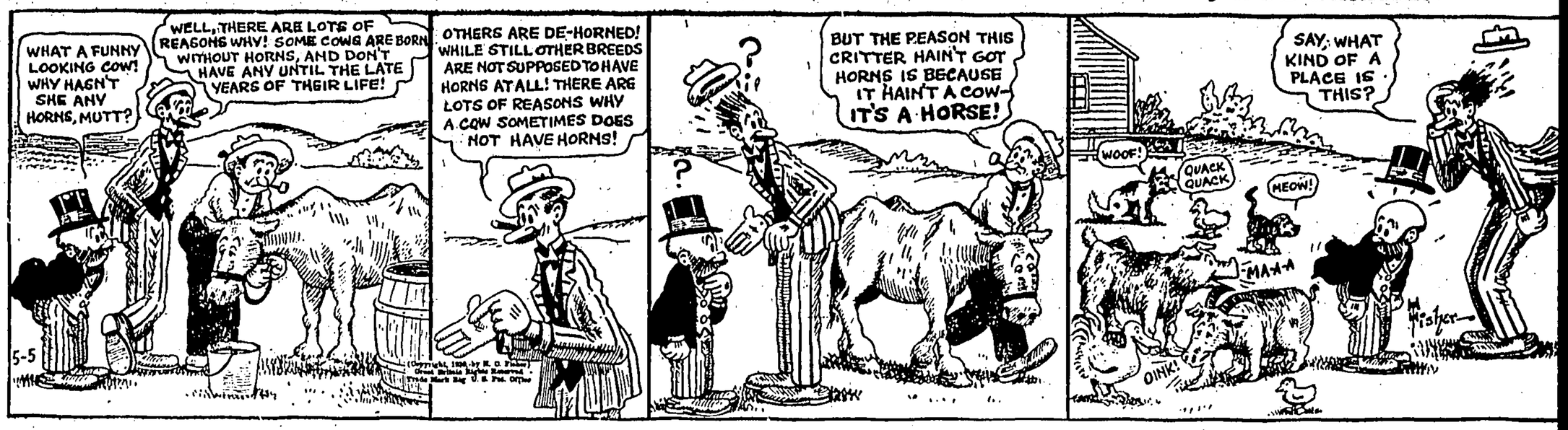
A fleet of 24 Japanese planes in different squadrons raided Kian, Taiho and Kanhsien, towns in Kiangsi, yesterday.

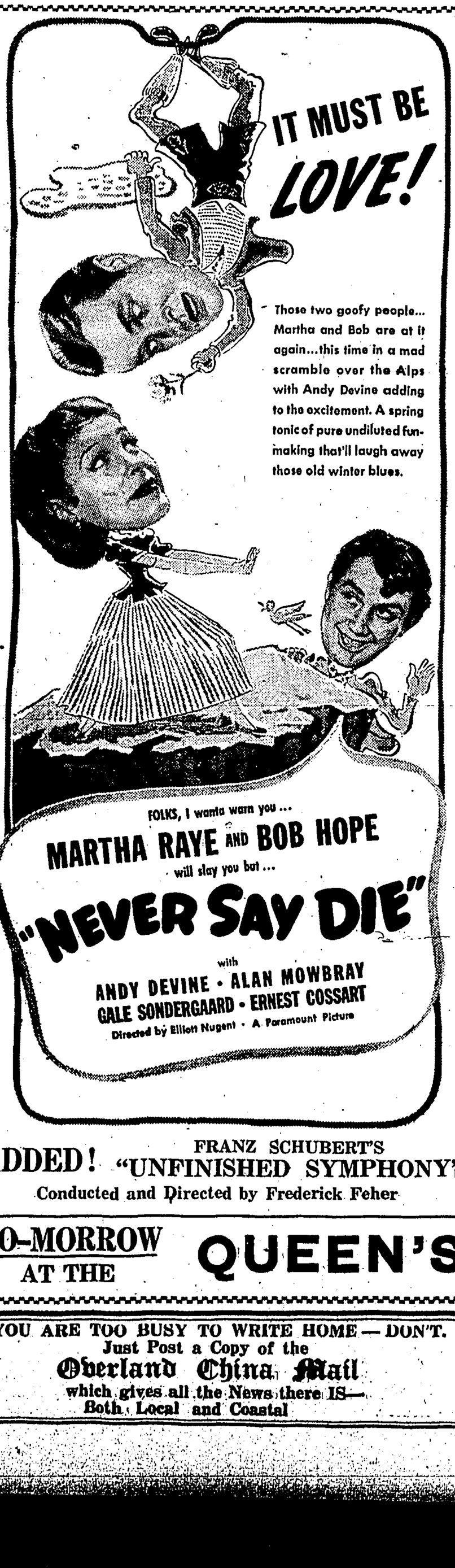
Two raids were staged on Kian, about 125 miles south-west of Nanchang. The first raid was conducted by six machines which dropped over 30 explosives. Scores of civilian casualties were made by three planes.

Taiho, south-east of Kian, was attacked by nine Japanese aircraft which released over 10 missiles inside and outside the town.

Six bombers raided Kanhsien, in southern Kiangsi, where they dumped over 20 missiles. — Central News.







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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

"BLUE BOY"

By Karl Grayson

When Ben Massey heard Mrs. Spencer's voice over the phone he experienced a surge of triumph. Mrs. Spencer was Linwood's leading social light. She was giving a cocktail party on Friday. She wondered whether Ben could attend.

"My niece from Washington is to be here. I'm sure you'll enjoy meeting her."

"I'm sure I will," Ben said with nicely gauged enthusiasm.

After Mrs. Spencer hung up Ben sat for awhile thinking. It was quite a feather in his cap to be invited to a Spencer party. Everyone who was anybody would be there. And this niece from Washington. What had she said her name was? Helen Hopkins. The Hopkins' of Washington. Worth millions.

Ben rose and strolled across the room and looked into the mirror above the bureau. His face lighted with a pleased smile as he turned his head first this way and then that, catching every angle of the reflection. He was handsome. There was no use being falsely modest and denying it. He was not only handsome, but personable. You could say what you wanted about family background, if a man had nerve enough he could meet even the most aristocratic on their own ground and make them look like suckers. Ben had gone far and would go farther.

If he had given the matter any thought at all he probably would have pictured Helen Hopkins as a plain and oldish female, looking ridiculous in expensive, ill-fitting clothes, whose eyes regarded every man hungrily. He was therefore not only amazed, but delighted when Mrs. Spencer presented him to her niece.

Helen Hopkins was blonde and small and adorable. She had a warm smile and a friendly manner, and you knew after talking with her five minutes that a great part of her beauty came from within.

Ben Massey, who had expected to be bored at the Spencer party, found himself highly entertained. He was not surprised that Helen Hopkins quite obviously found him interesting and attractive. All women did. But for the first time in his life he knew a curious little thrill because of her adulation.

He was delighted to learn that she was remaining with her aunt for a fortnight. The next day, against instincts which told him it was unwise to appear too eager, he called her by phone and was thrilled when she agreed to let him call.

They spent the afternoon visiting an art museum, because Helen expressed a desire to see certain paintings that were on exhibition that week. Ben, who wouldn't know a Rembrandt from a comic cartoon, talked fluently, taking his cue from Helen, who appeared to know all there was to know about everything on display.

"Don't you simply adore Van Gogh's 'Blue Boy'!" she exclaimed as they were about to leave.

"I think it's his very best work," Ben replied. "By the way, where is it hanging now?"

She looked at him quickly. "In Pasadena, of course."

It was on the tip of Ben's tongue to remark that he didn't know anything had ever been "hung" in California except Billy the Kid and he wasn't sure of that, but he decided that the particular type of humour might escape his charming companion.

That night when Ben returned home he found himself seriously contemplating the question of whether or not there were more advantages in being married to a charmingly wealthy girl or in remaining single and popular. Perhaps, he thought, it might be possible to do both, in effect, of course.

During the next week Ben Massey experienced the pangs of miserable wretchedness brought about by uncertainty. It was an entirely new experience to him and he suffered all the more. There were moments when he was quite sure Helen Hopkins would have collapsed blissfully into his arms at the mere mention of marriage, and there were moments when he was positive she would have laughed at him in high amusement. There were times when his soul burned with fierce jealousy at the sight of Helen being nice to some other man, and there were times when his soul basked in the warmth of her intimate smiles.

Before the fortnight was up Ben was practically a wreck. The thought of her going away turned his blood to ice. He decided all of a sudden to abandon all the work and firm resolutions of the bachelorhood that had been his career, admit everything to Helen and agree to marry her.

Thus decided he lost no time, but poured out his heart that night in the romantic moonlight on the Spencer garden.

Helen stared at him in amazement. "Good heavens!" she exclaimed. "You can't mean it?"

"I do mean it," declared Ben. "I will marry you."

Helen bit her lip. "Then Aunt Edith was right. She said there was a young man down here who was becoming difficult and a nuisance and didn't know his place, and she wanted me to come down and see what I could do about it. I thought at first she must be mistaken. It didn't seem possible that a man with your——er——social graces could be false. Van Gogh showed me how wrong I was."

"Oh, so you are interested in some other man?" Ben cried fiercely. "Who the devil's Van Gogh? Never heard of him."

Helen laughed lightly. "I became quite aware of that that day at the museum. Also that you never heard of Mr. Gainsborough." She sighed. "Dear me. There seems to be only one laughage a man like you can understand. No, I won't marry you, now or ever, because I think you're an ignorant, conceited boor. Do you understand that?"

Ben did. Mr. Gainsborough's "Blue Boy" couldn't have been any bluer.

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PREMIER LOSES HIS TEMPER IN COMMONS

Wriggling Back To Munich Taunt

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, jumped to his feet in the House of Commons yesterday and exclaimed: "Mr. Dalton is very offensive in his suggestions."

The incident followed a statement on the part of Mr. Chamberlain in reply to Mr. Hugh Dalton (Labour) that he had nothing to add to his previous statement regarding the negotiations with Russia.

Mr. Dalton asked whether Mr. Chamberlain realised that the long delays in reaching an agreement with the Soviet were causing disquiet.

Mr. Dalton added: "Are not the Government spinning out time till they can wriggle back to the Munich policy?"

It was this latter suggestion which brought Mr. Chamberlain's sharp rejoinder.

PREMIER DOES NOT SEE

Mr. Chamberlain added: "I see no reason why the delay should be attributed to His Majesty's Government." (Ministerial cheers).

Mr. Arthur Henderson (Labour) asked Mr. Chamberlain if he would state the conditions essential to justify confidence that a world conference would secure a real settlement of outstanding international problems.

Mr. Chamberlain said that in the opinion of His Majesty's Government such a conference would only succeed if accompanied by a general feeling of confidence that all participating governments sincerely desired a settlement and intended to keep, both in the spirit and the letter, any pledge or undertaking given as result of the conference.

The Government would always do their best to promote such a spirit of confidence, which could only succeed if other governments made like efforts.—Reuter.

THETIS ASSESSOR ONCE IN CHINA

London, To-day.

Captain G. C. P. Menzies, one of the three assessors on the Thetis enquiry, is an officer on the Navy active list and a submarine specialist.

His last appointment was commanding officer of Regulus, in the Fourth Submarine Flotilla, in China.—Reuter.

R.A.F. RECRUITS POUR IN

London, To-day.

Recruiting for the R.A.F. is still continuing at a rate of over 1,000 weekly.

A total of 1,105 recruits joined last week, compared with 326 in the corresponding week last year, bringing the total entry of pilots, observers, airmen and boys since April 1, 1939, to 9,643, compared with 3,444 for the corresponding period of last year. — British Wireless.

FEWER IN REFUGEE CAMPS

A slight decrease of 137 is noted in the latest figures of refugees accommodated in Government camps in Hong Kong.

A total of 9,704 were in the various camps on June 10, compared with 9,841 on June 3.

Main decrease occurred at Kam Tin.

INDIAN KILLS TRIBAL GIANT

Vengeance Promise To Dying Wife

CHIMOINIK, A DIMINUTIVE ABORIGINAL INDIAN WHO LIVES IN BRITISH GUIANA'S MOST INACCESSIBLE SETTLEMENT, HAS BEEN SENTENCED TO SEVEN YEARS IMPRISONMENT FOR THE MURDER OF MOSES, GIANT OF THEIR TRIBE.

The Supreme Court heard from Chimoinik how he committed the murder in obedience to his dying wife's wish for vengeance.

He gave the court a long list of atrocities committed by Moses, who had boasted of killing Chimoinik's wife, father, brother, sister and uncle.

Slowly the court pieced together the story of Chimoinik's plans for vengeance in a district which police had never visited before his crime.

Fifty days' journey from Georgetown, and 200 miles from the nearest police station, the members of the tribe are noted for their docility. Cut off from civilisation as completely as the community in the film "Lost Horizon", they scrupulously obey their own tribal laws.

Chimoinik, before carrying out his dying wife's request for vengeance, consulted four tribal prophets, who sanctioned the killing.

Experts said that Moses was not a witch doctor but a practised assassin, and it is understood that the Governor may exercise his prerogative of clemency for Chimoinik.

"GOD FORBID THERE SHOULD BE A SECOND MUNICH"---LORD DAVIES

London, To-day.

Lord Mottistone (Liberal) confessed himself an unrepentant believer in appeasement, speaking during the foreign affairs debate in the House of Lords yesterday.

Lord Stonehaven asked what concessions Lord Halifax was prepared to make regarding colonies.

"We have assumed heavy responsibilities towards the native inhabitants in the territories involving," he stated.

Lord Cecil appealed for re-establishment of the broad principles of the League of Nations.

Lord Davies complained that Lord Halifax's speech on June 8 created the impression that Britain was preparing to make another cynical deal with the aggressors.

SECOND MUNICH

"God forbid that the feelings of goodwill and respect of the American people, won by Their Majesties, should be dissipated by a second Munich."

Lord Harmsworth supported the policy of appeasement. Germany, he said, had so far not challenged a single vital British interest.

Replying, Lord Halifax, said the reason he had made his speech on June 8 was because the Opposition long ago chose that day for debate.

Anyway, it was seldom too early or too late to speak the truth.

NOTHING ON THE PACT

As regards the Anglo-Soviet negotiations, it was neither profitable nor possible at present to enter into details of matters which were to be discussed by Mr. Strang (the Foreign Office expert) in Moscow.

Any engagement undertaken with other Governments would be made public.

None of the considerations made by Lord Stonehaven regarding colonies were for a moment absent from the Government's mind. He was not prepared at this stage to add anything to what had been said by the Government on the question.

DANZIG

The question of Danzig demanded the utmost patience and restraint if the most serious and dangerous consequences were to be avoided.

Lord Halifax repeated Mr. Chamberlain's statement on the subject —that although we should be glad to see the differences between Poland and Germany amicably settled by discussion, and although we think they could and ought to be so settled if an attempt is made to change the situation by force in such a way as to threaten Poland's independence, it would inevitably start a conflagration in which Britain would be involved.—Reuter.

CZECHS RIOTING AGAINST NAZIS

Anti-German demonstrations continue to be reported from various parts of the provinces of Bohemia and Moravia. Owing to the strict censorship, the news often reaches Prague only after a long delay.

It is now known that there has been extensive rioting at Brno. German soldiers and Nazi Guards were compelled, it is stated, to charge a hostile crowd with fixed bayonets.

Czech police from the rank of Commissioner downwards have been arrested for allowing the population to get out of hand.

Martial law has been enforced in Vlasin as a result of a public-house brawl which resulted in the death of a German solider. A strict curfew is set, and the troops have b eeen ordered to shoot on sight if the decree is disobeyed.

FRENCH AMBASSADOR

Kunming, To-day.

M. Henri Cosme, French Ambassador to China, will leave for Chungking by plane on June 16, it is learned from diplomatic sources. — Central News.

SPAIN WILL NOT FORGET

Rome, To-day.

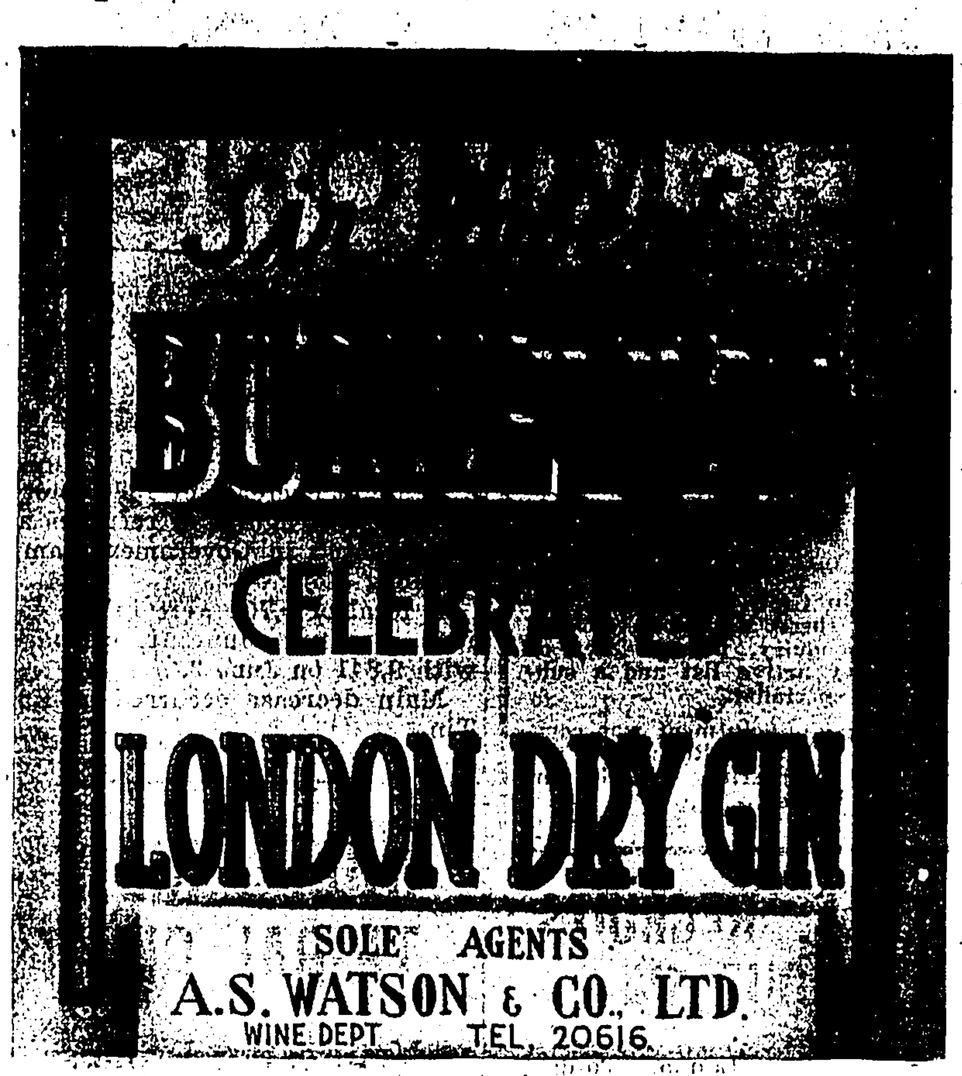
Spain will not forget her old friends, declared the Spanish Home Minister, Senor Suner, in an interview here yesterday.

Senor Suner is returning to Spain after participation in the joint Italo-Spanish military demonstration.—Trans-Ocean.

F.R.B. NOTES

Chungking, To-day.

Buyers of the Chinese legal tender paid $160 "Federal Reserve Bank" notes for one hundred of the national dollar.—Central News.



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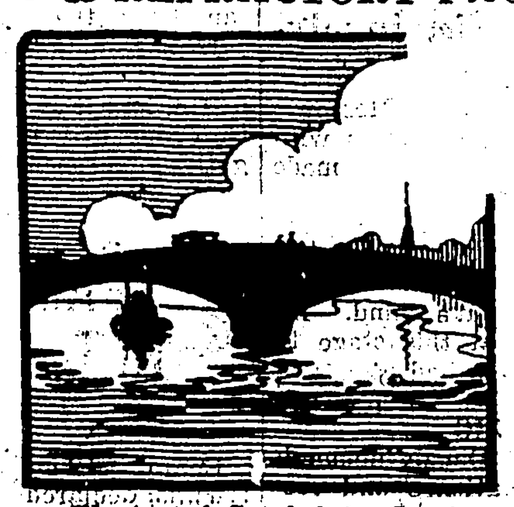

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RHETORICAL DIPLOMACY

In recent years the dictator governments have developed a technique of diplomacy in striking contrast with the "secret diplomacy" which was the rule in pre-war days. The new method takes the form of shouting demands from the platform and the press; the other side feels compelled to answer in similar if more restrained public utterances. Mr. Roosevelt in his appeal for peace guarantees from Germany and Italy reversed the order of this procedure, and Reichsfuhrer Hitler gave the reply. And now, though Britain and Russia are in communication with each other through regular diplomatic channels, the British Prime Minister has taken occasion to make a public statement in the House of Commons to clarify Britain's position as regards Russian participation in the system of defensive alliances sponsored by Britain and France.

The common procedure in totalitarian states is to begin by having the press put demands in the most extravagant terms. The next step is a public speech by the leader. In his speech on the twentieth anniversary of Fascism, Signor Benito Mussolini made a comparatively moderate utterance, yet for his French audience the background of the press campaign could not be forgotten. The French Premier could not fail to have that in mind when he made his reply in a broadcast address.

These rhetorical flourishes, which require that we should look closely to discern what is an appeal to reason and what an appeal to passion, are one means modern diplomacy has adopted to approach the task of agreement—if agreement is possible.

Having given up party politics at home, the dictators have introduced a sort of party politics into international affairs, where nations are the parties, and heads of governments are the leaders. How dangerous this procedure may be, with its anger, its vituperation, its studied rudeness, has been abundantly shown in the recent history of Europe, though "secret diplomacy," too, has its dangers, with its intrigues, its uncertainties, its hidden commitments beyond the reach of public criticism or parliamentary scrutiny.

There is everything to be gained by clear and emphatic statements of public policy, so that Governments and people may know what other Governments and people stand for. What is wrong is the use of the war technique—the appeal to the passions of the people at home, and the use of bluff in addressing foreigners. The right method is that the fundamentas of policy should be fully and frankly stated in public, in the least aggravating form, and that details should be reserved for discussion and give-and-take in the council chamber.

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To London

A German artist, whose paintings of London have lately been on view there, has said that he considers London the most "paintable" city in the world. His opinion is particularly interesting, because it is not founded upon the number and quality of acknowledged picturesque "bits" in the city; but upon his delight in the aspect of London that is everywhere apparent. He considers that even the traffic lights and petrol pumps, the pillar boxes and telephone booths, develop an artistic value in the London streets, and, "with their high lights emphasising the dim tones of the past," help to produce a unique and beautiful effect.

London does not often receive such a tribute; London is more accustomed to being compared unkindly to sister cities abroad; and is wont to listen humbly to praises of the wealth of colour, the imposing boulevard vista, and the vivacious frieze of cafes, that go to adorn the street sene on the Continent, or to eulogies of the Cyclopean grandeur of New York, or of the exotic magnificence of the Oriental city.

London's charm is often admitted, but seldom without a touch of affectionate patronage, as the charm of a genteel, old-fashioned dame, who is dignified, if a trifle untidy, and shabby in her rusty black, but not exactly beautiful. An attitude that rises at its highest to:

> These good old Tory brick-built streets!
> My eye is pleased with all it meets
> In Bloomsbury.

It is pleasant, therefore, to discover a visitor in whose expert opinion her streets are reflected as golden after all.

FORCE WILL BE MET BY FORCE

LORD HALIFAX'S WARNING AGAINST AGGRESSION

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, replied for the Government to the debate on foreign affairs in the House of Lords last night.

Dealing with the Far East, Lord Halifax said it was quite true that in the Far East area we were witnessing a conflict of principles involving the whole question of the right to resort to war.

In these circumstances, during the last two years it had been the duty of His Majesty's Government to consider what course of action was incumbent on them and practical for them to adopt.

They had been parties to the passage of successive resolutions in the League Assembly and Council, "which I am well aware have not gone as far as the representatives of China thought desirable, but they have gone as far as the Powers principally concerned in the Far East thought it practicable to go.

BOLSTERING CHINESE CURRENCY

"I am quite content to leave the conduct of this country on that matter to the judgment of those having full knowledge and able to form a judgment of the way in which this country has carried out the obligations it has assumed.

"Lord Davies," continued Lord Halifax, "has gravely under-rated what it has been in the power of this Government to do, not least in the action it took earlier this year regarding Chinese currency.

"There is a case where it is possible to argue that British interests are deeply engaged, and that we are not only serving the interests of China, but I think that those who know the Chinese problem best will not be unwilling to say that no form of British help could have been more helpful to China than that which enabled her to maintain the reasonable equilibrium on which depends her economic strength.

FORMIDABLE LIST

"As regards the treatment which British interests in China are suffering at the hands of the Japanese, it is a very formidable list indeed, and reflects the extent of the British stake in China.

"His Majesty's Government have not been indifferent to any one of these threats in any one of these directions.

"I am sure Lord Elibank appreciates the difficulties with which the Government is confronted, but I assure him that there is no truth whatever in the rumour of the withdrawal of troops from Shanghai.

"As regards warships, the commander-in-chief, China Station, has full authority to move ships from place to place according to what may be the needs of the moment.

PLEA REJECTED

"I know very well that the Japanese military authorities have advanced the plea of military necessity in attempted justification of the many acts which have resulted in limiting British rights and interests, but His Majesty's Government are unable to accept that plea, especially in the many places in which military operations have now ceased, as any excuse for the impairment of rights secured to our nationals under solemn treaty provisions.

"Still less can we accept the unilateral modification of instruments entered into freely by ourselves and other Powers.

"All matters of complaint made in the debate have been the subject of representation—sometimes repeated representations to the proper Japanese authorities—and the Government will continue to assert full efforts and influence to secure maintenance of the right of British subjects to live and trade peacefully in China."

MR. STRANG ON WAY TO MOSCOW

London, To-day.

Mr. William Strang, head of the Central European Department of the Foreign Office, left London at noon yesterday by air for Warsaw, from which city he will proceed by train to Moscow.—Trans-Ocean.

FORCE WILL BE MET BY FORCE

Dealing with the general situation, Lord Halifax said his speech on June 8 implied no change in British policy.

"While making no threats and concealing no ulterior designs, Britain wants to make it quite clear that if force is used to-day, those who use it must count on force being met by force."—Reuter.

AMBASSADOR WEARS BULLET PROOF WAISTCOAT

Shanghai, To-day.

Special precautions are being taken following the receipt of information by the British authorities that an attempt had been planned against the life of the Ambassador, Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr.

The Ambassador and his secretary are wearing bullet proof waistcoats, bullet proof glass has been fitted to the Ambassador's car and strong guards have been placed over the British Embassy.—Reuter.

Nanking Poisoning: Two Die

Shanghai, To-day.

RELIABLE reports from Nanking last night state that two members of the Japanese Consulate died yesterday following the drinking of poisoned Chinese wine at a Japanese Consulate banquet given on Saturday night in honour of Mr. T. Shimiza, parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs.

The victims are Mr. Miyasita and Mr. Funayama, officials attached to the Japanese Consulate in Nanking.

"BOY" DISAPPEARS

The Mayor and Chief Justice of Nanking are reported to be in grave condition and are not expected to survive.

Meanwhile the best medical attention is being given the two pro-Japanese officials.

It is also added that one of the Chinese headboys who were in charge of the tables and wine, has disappeared, and the Japanese authorities have ordered his arrest. — Our Own Correspondent.

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Tinkler Murder Queries In The House Of Commons

"WE HAD BETTER WAIT," SAYS UNDER-SECRETARY

London, To-day.

The death of Mr. R. M. Tinkler, the British employee of the China Printing and Finishing Company at Pootung, at the hands of the Japanese, was the subject of three questions in the House of Commons yesterday.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, replied for the Government and narrated the action taken in connection with strikes which broke out on May 20.

Mr. Butler said that on June 6 a clash occurred between Chinese employees and strike agitators at the entrance to the Pootung mill, and Japanese marines were called in to restore order.

The actual facts were not yet established, but it would appear that a fracas ensued in which Mr. Tinkler fired a revolver shot.

In the ensuing struggle he received several bayonet wounds, and died the following morning.

The British Consul had protested to his Japanese colleague against the action of the marines in bayonetting Mr. Tinkler and against the refusal of the Japanese authorities to hand him over immediately when requested to do so, or to allow a British doctor to see him at an earlier stage.

Representations had also been made by the British Government to Tokyo.

BRITISH PUBLIC PERTURBED

Such information as it had been possible to give the press in regard to the treatment of British subjects had been made available to British and international news agencies.

Lt.-Comm. R. T. H. Fletcher (Labour, Nuneaton) asked whether the Government was aware how perturbed public opinion was becoming by these anti-British Japanese actions — by the interception of British ships and by trespass on British property.

Was any action possible except protests?

WAIT, SAYS MR. BUTLER

Colonel J. S. Allen (Conservative, Birkenhead) asked if anything was being done to get the true facts of the case.

Mr. Butler replied in the affirmative, and added that was the reason why information in our possession had been given to British and international news agencies.

Lt.-Comm. Fletcher asked if no retaliatory action was possible.

Mr. Butler: Lt.-Comm. Fletcher will be aware that protests have been made to the Japanese authorities, and we had better await results.—Reuter.

UNFATHOMABLE!
Murder Without A Clue!

• THURSDAY •
ALHAMBRA

MASTER CHARGED WITH ASSAULTING STUDENT

A Chinese school master, Chan Min-shan, was charged at the Central Magistracy before Mr. T. J. Houston this morning with assaulting a 10-year-old student, Chan Ying-wai, at No. 356, Queen's Road West, last Saturday.

Mr. M. A. da Silva pleaded not guilty on behalf on the defendant.

It was alleged that the boy was beaten badly on the legs with a cane.

Defendant was allowed bail of $100. Hearing of the case was fixed for June 27, at 2.30 p.m.

Detective-Sergeant R. Mcvey is in charge of the case.

ANGLO-GERMAN TRADE TALKS RESUMPTION?

London, To-day.

New discussions between the representatives of the German and British industry are forecast by the "Financial Times."

The paper believes that the German representatives would come to London at the time of the tennis tournament at Wimbledon to resume the negotiations broken off in the middle of March. —Trans-Ocean.

SPEECH MEANT FOR GERMAN PEOPLE, SAYS THE "STANDARD"

London, To-day.

Lord Halifax's speech last Thursday was intended for the German people and its aim was to counteract German propaganda featuring the alleged British encirclement policy, the British Government having made a statement to this effect, according to the "Evening Standard," to the French and Soviet Governments.

The British Government is also said to have assured Paris that it would hold undeviatingly to the new policy and had no intention of making concessions to the dictators. — Trans-Ocean.

NO MILITARY OCCUPATION OF SPRATLEY ISLES

London, To-day.

The island of Hainan is only partially occupied by the Japanese, said the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, in the House of Commons yesterday in reply to a question from Mr. Wilfred Roberts (Liberal, North Cumberland).

There appeared to have been no military occupation of the Spratley group, continued Mr. Butler, adding that the Government was keeping in close and constant touch with the French Government in the matter.—Reuter.

MORPHINE CHARGE

C. R. O. Grimmitt appeared this morning as prosecutor at the Central Magistracy against Chan Po-san, 17-year-old vacinator and Li Ming, 47, unemployed, who were charged with possession of morphine and morphine needles.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for first defendant.

It was alleged that both accused had had in their possession at the time of their arrest, 12 ounces of morphine and an unknown number of morphine needles.

At the request of Mr. Russ, the case was remanded to June 15, both accused being allowed bail of $550.

ART THEFT FROM THE LOUVRE

Paris, To-day.

The painting "L'Indifferent" by Watteau has been stolen from the Louvre collection, the "Paris Soir" learns.

The thief took the painting, which is one of the smallest by the famous French painter, together with the frame.

The paper estimates its value at three to four million Francs. — Trans-Ocean.

JEWISH REFUGEES FIND HAVEN

The Hague, To-day.

Two hundred Jewish emigres from Germany on board the steamer "St. Louis" who despite the permit to stay in Cuba, were not allowed to go on shore, will be temporarily accommodated in Holland.

This decision is the result on the deliberations between the Jewish Refugees Committee and the Netherlands Government.

The remaining 700 emigres on board the "St. Louis" have not received this permission. It is assumed that they will be temporarily accommodated in Belgium, France and England. — Trans-Ocean.

60,000 TO WATCH OLYMPICS

Helsingfors, To-day.

The enlargement of the Olympic stadium in Helsingfors has now progressed so far that the exact number of seats and exact standing room can now be announced.

In 1940, 47,163 seats and standing room for 14,300 will be available, a total of 61,463. Of this number 6,300 seats must be placed at the disposal of guests of honour, officials and the press.—Trans-Ocean.

Mr. G. H. Bearman, of No. 60 Hankow Road, has reported that money and a fountain pen, to the value of $40, was stolen from his house yesterday morning.

Quarantine restrictions have been imposed by the Chinese Maritime Customs Authorities at Amoy against arrivals from Hong Kong on account of cholera.

Passengers by air from Hong Kong to Egypt will have to undergo surveillance if they fail to produce certificates of inoculation against cholera.

News Snack Bar

CAR-PARK PRESS BUTTON CONTROL

The erection of a push-button car park underground, the most up-to-date in the country, is to begin in Cardiff.

It will accommodate 500 cars, and the touch of a button in a control room will bring any required car on to a rotating platform. It is part of Cardiff Council's £500,000 public halls scheme.

The floor will be in several sections, and each one will revolve. They shall know the position of any car in each section, and by pressing a button the floor will revolve until the car required by the owner is opposite the entrance. The owner will then be able to drive it into the street up an inclined way.

The "park," costing £90,000, will be completed in about nine months.

10-SEC. RANGE-FINDER TO REVOLUTIONISE GUNNERY

A new artillery range-finder which, it is claimed, will in ten seconds calculate within fifty yards the range of an object miles away has been invented by a Swedish engineer.

The inventor, Professor Erik Fagerholm, stated in Stockholm that the new range-finder, evolved after five years of intensive experiment, would shortly be placed on the world market.

The professor claimed that in 10 seconds his invention could train guns on a ship, miles off advancing at thirty knots to score a hit with the first salvo.

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SKULL THOUSANDS OF YEARS OLD

During excavations at a gravel pit in Eleanor Cross-road, Waltham Cross, a child's skull, believed to be thousands of years old, was unearthed fourteen feet below ground. It was ebony black yet well preserved.

FIRST COME—FIRST SERVED.—First come, first served is definitely the right motto after the daily nap in the open air at the Croydon creche at South Norwood. When the kiddies wake up there is a general scramble for shoes—despite the fact that they are lined up neatly in this manner.

FED ALLIED ARMIES

Sir Thomas Bilbe Robinson, Director of Meat Supplies to the Allied Armies from 1914-1918, has died, aged eighty-five, at Broadstairs (Kent). Born at Rotherhithe, he went to Australia as a young man. He was Agent-General for Queensland from 1910 (when he was knighted) to 1920.

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PORTERS STILL PREFER TIPS

Gentlemen may prefer blondes, but porters prefer tips. Yet travellers will be charged for porters' services at Paris stations on a regular tariff under a new regulation coming into effect next month. Tipping is to be abolished and any porter accepting a tip will be liable to dismissal. The porters are not pleased!

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55 TONS GOLD FOR LONDON

During the last four weeks fifty-five tons of gold bullion has been flown in Dutch air liners from Amsterdam to Croydon. The gold lies in the airport strong room until it is collected by the Bank of England.

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DIET FOR MOTHER TO DECIDE SEX

Prospective parents will be able to choose whether they will have a boy or girl, says Professor Antonio Morosini di Florigno, of Perugia, Italy. . . . That is, if the Italian authorities approve a new kind of food he has invented. In experiments with hens, says the Professor, he has been able to determine sex in 70 per cent. of cases through the use of this special food. He believes that the same results can be achieved with human mothers. He was recently given a Government grant.

New Kind of contents in a new type of kitbag.

'ARPed

This dialogue was heard in Tottenham Police Court:

Man: I am putting up air raid shelters for the G.P.O.

Magistrate: You mean the A.R.P.

Man: No; the G.P.O.

Magistrate: Come, come, who pays you?

Man: The A.R.P.

Magistrate: I thought so.

Man: But I still work for the G.P.O.

Magistrate: Look here, how many people do you work for?

Man: Only one, the A.R.P.

Magistrate: You said G.P.O. the first time.

Man: Well, it all means the same. I am putting up the shelters for the G.P.O. through the A.R.P.

MEMORIAL TO T.T. RIDER

Work has been begun on a mountain memorial in the Isle of Man to A. J. Guthrie, the famous T.T. rider, killed last year in Germany, near the spot where he retired on his last race in the island.

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NATIONAL WAGE MOVEMENTS

Important national wage movements are impending. Engineering trade union executives hope to meet at an early date to ratify the higher wages agreement reached between employers and union officials. The district organisations will be invited to express their assent without delay.

It is understood that wage adjustments in other industries stimulated by recent armament or A.R.P. orders, among them the building and electrical trades, are also the subject of talks by trade unions, and that definite claims are to be presented to the employers at an early date.

"SNOW WHITE" BREAKS RECORD

"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" has already earned receipts of nearly £1,400,000 and is expected to draw another £400,000 from foreign sources, although it has been taken off the American markets says Associated Press.

Previous record for film takings was made by "The Singing Fool," one of the earliest talking pictures, which earned about £1,000,000.

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FIRE ESCAPE AMOK

A fire escape broke loose and crashed to the road from a fire-engine which was answering a call in Keeton's-road, Bermondsey, S.E. It then ran on the pavement, knocked the top off a lamp post, uprooted a tree and smashed some railings. No one was injured. The call proved to be a hoax.

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MUNICIPAL TRANSPORT RECEIPTS

Official returns of 44 municipal passenger transport undertakings in the British Isles, excluding London, give total receipts in the week ended May 13 of £328,247, or £15,278 more than in the corresponding week of last year. Aggregate receipts for the financial year to date (five weeks), are £1,675,413, an increase of £64,152 as compared with the corresponding period of last year.

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BRITISH TOURIST OFFICE IN AMSTERDAM

Britain's Minister to Holland, Sir Nevile Bland, inaugurated the first office in Amsterdam of our Travel and Industrial Development Association—a reply to other nations' propaganda offices there.

"You've got to be fussy over horses . .

Fussy about their training —fussy about who rides them. Personally I find it's the only way. For instance, I don't much care to lead in a lucky winner; but it gives me the rarest pleasure to watch *any* thoroughbred ridden to a faultless victory.

In the same way I appreciate the good judgment used in the making of White Horse Whisky. I've yet to discover a richer flavour with a finer fragrance, a silkier smoothness with a more heartening glow. Till I do, I shall insist on White Horse."

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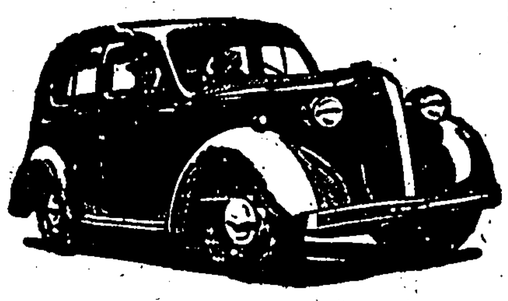

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THE NEXT WAR WILL BE STARTED IN THE MIDDLE SEA, SAYS GEORGE MARTELLI IN THIS ARTICLE ON

MEDITERRANEAN STRATEGY

THE next war, which started several years ago, will be decided probably in the Mediterranean. For that there are several reasons. In the first place major wars are generally decided by sea. Were it not so Great Britain would not be where it is. Continental nations have never realized this truth, hence their surprise at the survival of what has to them always seemed a defenceless country.

Secondly, the Mediterranean is where the Powers are vulnerable. If the generally-accepted superiority of defence over offence is fulfilled, a deadlock on land seems inescapable. In that case the antagonists will turn their attention to an area where they can hope to find and pierce the weak point in each other's armour. That area can only be the Mediterranean. It is here, not on the Rhine or the Vitula, that the real jealousies clash and the vital blow can be struck.

This obvious fact was realized by Mussolini ere ever he became the ruler of Italy. It was recognized by his earliest speeches as head of the Italian Government. Since 1936 it has been the avowed basis of Italian foreign policy and a cardinal consideration of the German General Staff.

During their visit to Regina, capital of Saskatchewan, the King and Queen received a great welcome from famous Indian Chiefs of the Cree, Sioux, Saultaus, Assiniboines and other tribes. For the occasion the Indians were resplendant in their native dresses and feathered headdresses. Photo shows a typical Indian chief with his feathers and tomahawk, carrying a standard with flags and greeting motto.

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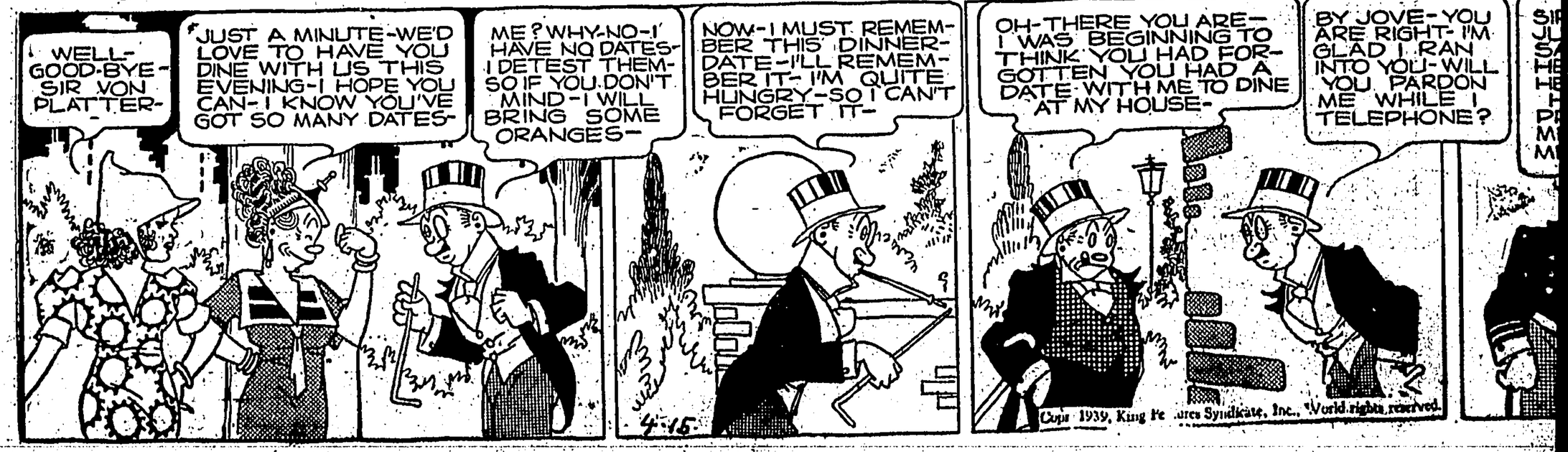

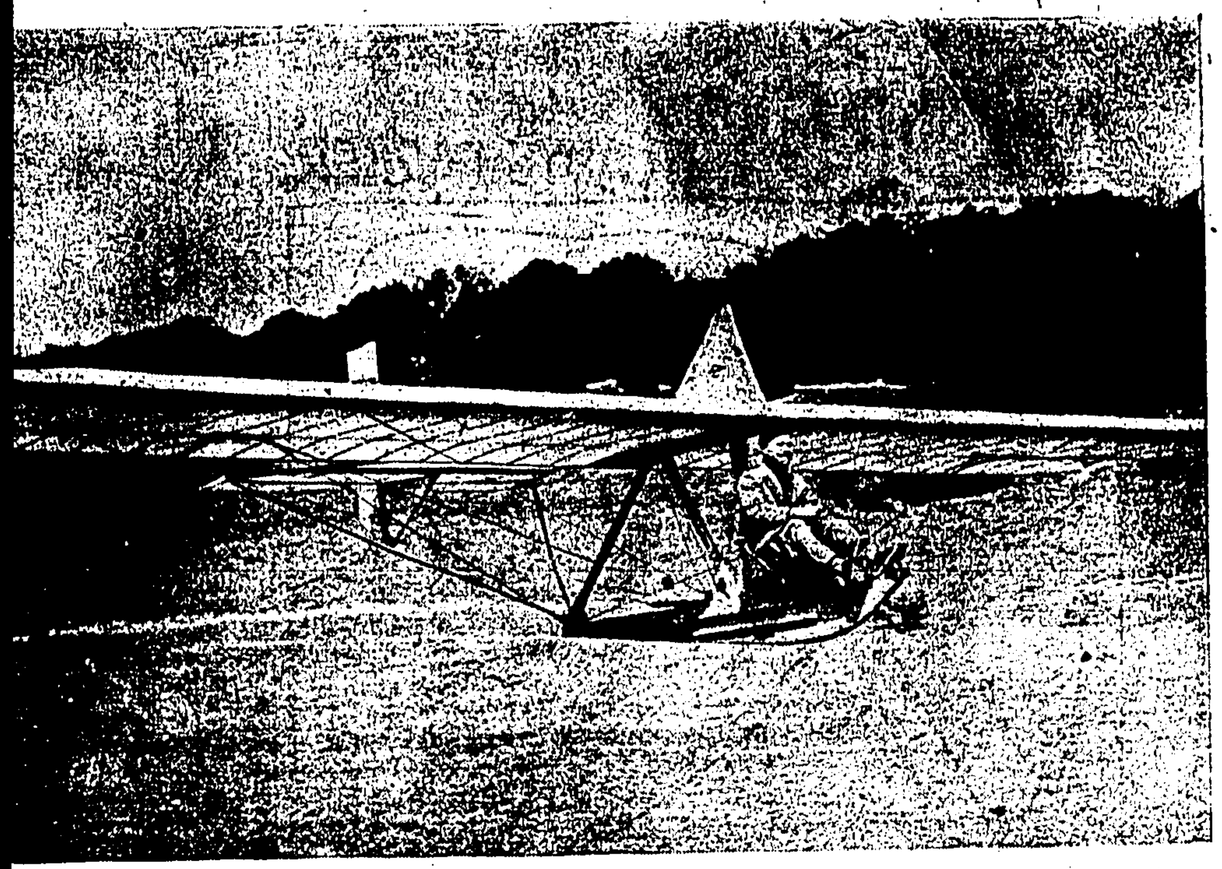

IVES FAMOUS PILOT GLIDING LESSONS. — A 22 year old girl, Miss Ann Edmunds, is ree of Imperial Airways most experienced pilots, in gliding. They are Capt. O. P. Jones, Capt. l and Capt. H. J. Horsey, each of whom have had more than 15,000 hours flying experience. nds launches each of her pupils solo by towing them with a winch on the ground, but despite ence as pilots, they were not allowed to make a first circuit except by still being attached with o the winch after the take off. Photo shows Capt. O. P. Jones, the famous Imperial Airways ot, in flight in the Surrey Hills.

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t battleships set a proavies of the western ey are fast enough to out-distance our own battleships and sufficiently heavily armed to outgun our largest cruisers. The only effective reply to them are our three battle-cruisers, the Repulse, and the two French ships, Strasbourg and Dunkirque. The opposing forces are therefore likely to be much more even than appeared to be the case a few weeks ago.

More important, however, than the quantity and quality of ships on either side is the question of their respective bases. Here the democracies have been steadily losing ground sometimes literally, and it is a question whether the negotiations now proceeding for providing the British fleet with a stronghold in the eastern basin will be concluded in time to make up for losses in the western.

It seems fairly clear that Gibraltar will not be available as a refitting and refuelling station for our warships. If the Rock itself can be held, its harbour would not be safe to lie in with enemy batteries surrounding the Bay of Algeciras and enemy aerodromes a few miles away. Stationary battleships are seldom successful against land emplacements, unless the latter are extremely inferior.

A French attack from Algeria on Spanish Morocco might provide an alternative at Melilla or Ceuta, but our command of the Straits could always be disputed as long as the enemy found facilities on the Spanish mainland.

It is possible, therefore, that the function of blockading the western entrance would be deputed to the Atlantic Fleet, which would keep its watch outside the Mediterranean, using Lisbon (Portugal permitting) or some French Moroccan port as its base. It would be assisted, of course, on the inner side of the Straits by the French squadron acting from Oran, and the new base at Mers-el-Kebir, five miles west of it.

TREMENDOUS PRESSURE

There is no doubt, however, that tremendous pressure will be brought in the next few weeks on both those, countries to weaken their adherence to Britain. The appointment of Herr von Papen as Ambassador to Turkey is a clear warning of that. Along with it goes the attempt to neutralize Yugoslavia so that Greece shall find herself isolated with a hostile Bulgaria between her and her allies of the Balkan Entente.

Just as it had to "fix" Spain before challenging the democracies, so the Axis now knows that in face of Britain's new policy it must "work" on the eastern Mediterranean, and particularly the Balkan countries, before it will be safe to risk the final gamble.

In this grim struggle for the opening position, which has so often proved decisive, there is no room for hesitations or half-measures. Our own fate and the future of everything we value may be settled in the next few weeks in Athens. Angora and Bucharest. We are in the last ditch but if we can hold it we may still not have to fight.

Further east the situation improves with the French well supported and defended at Bizerta. This base is admirably equipped and positioned both for protecting the Algiers-Marseilles route (provided the wasps' nest at Majorca is first scotched) and also for harrying the Italian communications with Libya. It would doubtless receive a certain amount of support from any British units which it was considered safe to leave at Malta or which had been transferred to Bizerta.

An Italian attack on Tunisia is not to be feared and in any case could easily be repulsed. The contrary is a much more practical possibility and it would be badly needed to contain a part of the Libyan garrison which would otherwise be launched against Egypt.

Here, I think, one comes to what in a European war might well be the decisive battlefield. If the Italians can take Egypt, they do not necessarily control the Suez Canal because

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By George McManus

EAT AT

Jimmy's Kitchen

INEXPENSIVE SATISFYING

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A NEW SHIPMENT
of
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WISP-O-WEIGHT
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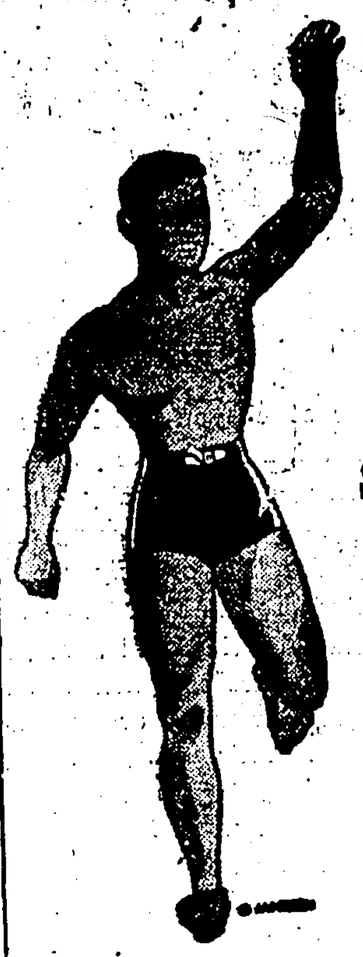

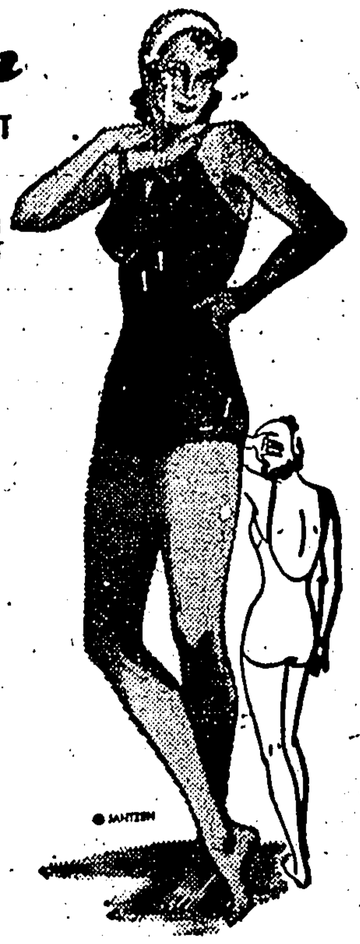

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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

With many favourable conditions prevailing this day, you likely will be protected against any misfortune which could interfere with your happiness. Circumstances over which you will have no direct control, may lead to your becoming better off financially before the day is over. By seeing and hearing things you may be able to formulate some course of action or behaviour that will save you from some future complications with relatives, friends or business associates. This is a good day to do more listening than talking, and to refrain from telling all that you know. A desire to spend freely makes it advisable for you not to part with money too easily. Your wants may be many but your actual personal requirements are apt to be comparatively few this day. Married and engaged couples, and those who feel the time is soon coming when they can announce their engagement, should remember that every person is entitled to his opinion.

If a woman and June 13 is your birthday, you must never try to rule your home or office with an iron hand, if you want harmonious conditions to prevail. You are apt to find yourself in a position to weild a great influence over many people. You must keep in mind constantly that it takes a long time to make a tried and trusted friend, and that you can lose one in less than a minute. There are times

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THIS TOPSY-TURVY WORLD. This girl got a different view of things when keeping fit at Folkestone. She is a member of the "Six Wallabies", an acrobatic team of girls, who keep in training in the open before their acts on the stage.

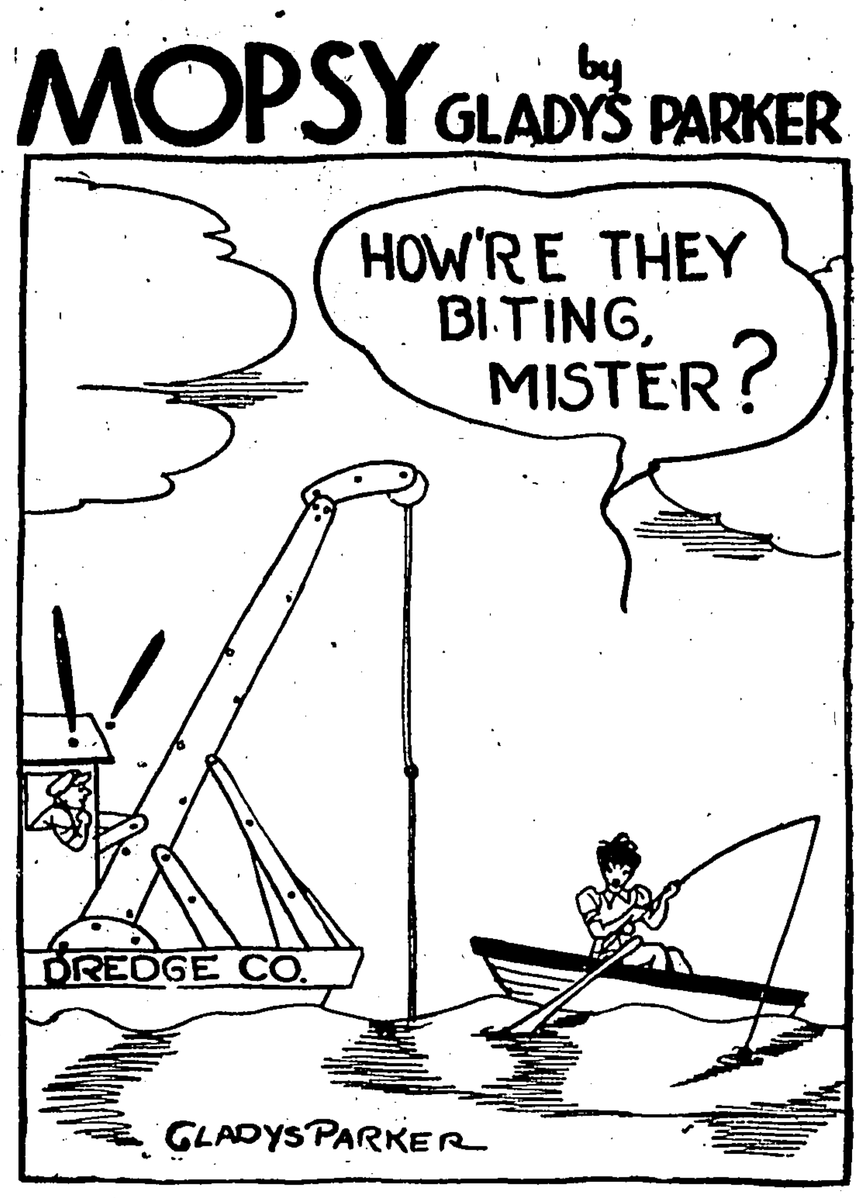

Diagram Design For Homework

You can make this dress in a few hours! You'll wear it day after day it's so completely comfortable for housework, with it's deep armholes, darted, unconfining waistline, and a skirt wide enough at the hem so that you can hurry and take long steps! The short sleeves are pleated, so that they are as unhampering as no sleeves at all. It's a pretty dress, too, very neat and slenderizing, with shoulder darts to take care of correct fit over the bust, braid on the sleeves and swirling round the scalloped closing. The buttoned front is another practical detail in its favour.

when you should assert yourself, but the vitally important thing is to know when it is the right time to do so. Through social welfare, missionary, educational, artistic, musical, theatrical or a specialised line of commercial work you may reap a rich regard for consistent labour done cheerfully and with enthusiasm. You married life probably will be a long, happy romance.

The child born on June 13, is generally of the credulous type, easily imposed upon. This youngster ought to be encouraged to ask questions and to express an opinion whenever an opportunity presents itself. Children born on this date generally emerge from the battle of life with colours flying.

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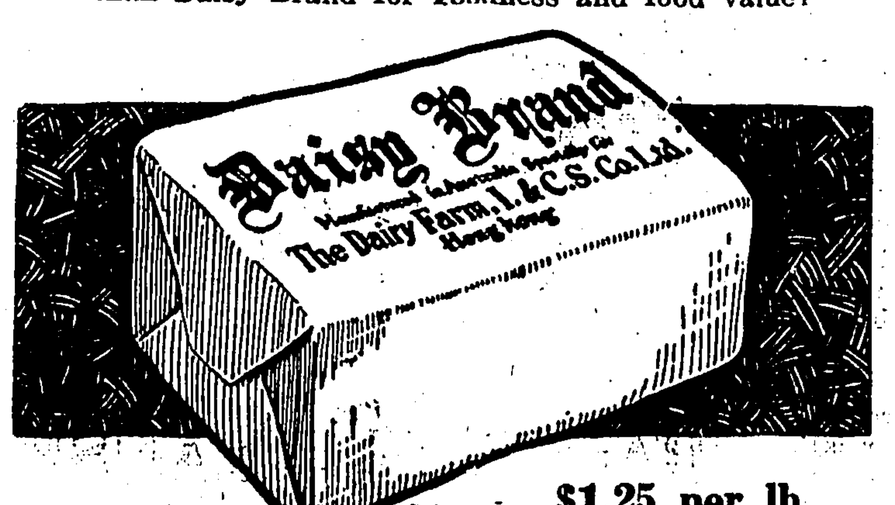

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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

Cosmetics Are Psychological Aid

A great deal of written and spoken debunking of cosmetics has been going on recently. Men and women who have had little experience with the cosmetic industry have taken to telling the world that women are fools to be duped by those who manufacture their beauty aids. Magazines, particularly those which are not favoured by cosmetic advertising, have printed articles in which rash statements are made about the little or no efficacy of most cosmetics we women like to use.

I certainly wish that these smart authors would take a day off and read my fan mail! Letters from men and women who live in every state of the union. Letters seeking advice or cheer. Letters expressing appreciation for advice which helped them with an emotional or physical problem. Men blunt but candid about the treatments they have found successful for skin and hair. Girls overjoyed because a blemish has been removed and a new love affair is dawning! And mothers, who cannot afford direct professional advice, grateful for what I can tell them about their children's beauty.

In a portfolio marked "Complimentary" there are many letters which indicate, with force, that cosmetics are a psychological aid to most women and to many men. We know cosmetics have been with us since words were recorded, and they are likely to be with us forever.

If a law decreed that all cosmetics were to be banished from America the number of dejected females and disappointed males would be colossal!

HAVE MODERN VIEW-POINT

Don't let anyone tell you that cosmetics do not create beauty. They do, and the amount of beauty they create depends entirely upon You—the ones you select and diligence with which you use them.

Of course, I know that many of the prestige lines of cosmetics are priced too high. But there are reliable products on the market so priced that practically every woman may have what she needs and keep within her cosmetic budget.

No one can deny that there is hope in a jar of cream, anticipation in a new lipstick, and rejuvenation in an efficacious skin masque! The mere fact that women yearn to look their loveliest is a healthy sign. If this urge is choked woman reacts violently and frequently becomes a psychological charge for some one.

When one realizes that some U.S. hospitals find beauty salons essential for their patients there is little doubt that, despite their price, cosmetics are a definite boon to woman's morale, and have a very definite place in modern society. I only caution that women and men learn to buy them intelligently and to use them wisely. The acquisition of beauty, after all, is a harmless hobby from which every woman reaps good dividends!

Sensible husbands take pride in their wife's desire to be as attractive and charming as possible!

Witty Kitty

Reno is supposed to end marital problems but judging from marriage bureaus reports they both end and begin there.

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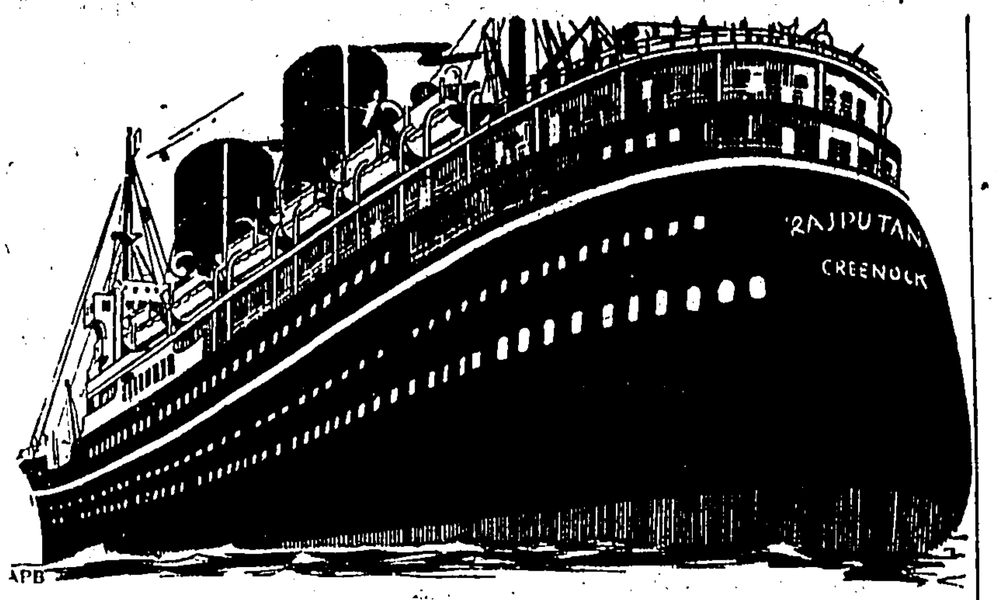
This smart pattern adapts the classic lines of the favourite shirtwaist frock to the special needs of mother-to-be. The skirt is a wrap-around, fastened and adjustable at the side, with a narrow belt ending in a bow. The blouse, with plenty of bust fullness under the smooth shoulder yoke, has a youthful round collar and pretty frills that give it a fresh, feminine look and (because they are narrow) add no bulk.



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§CORFU	14,500	5th Aug.	— do —
§CANTON	15,500	19th Aug.	— do —
§CARTHAGE	14,500	2nd Sept.	— do —
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RANCHI	17,000	30th Sept.	Marseilles & London.
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CARTHAGE	14,500	3rd Aug.	Shanghai & Japan.
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Shanghai and Swatow	Kanchow	June 13.
Swatow	Hoihow	June 13.
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Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service" — San Francisco date, 8th June	Pan-American Airways Plane,	June 14.
Shanghai and Swatow	Naming	June 14.
Japan	Shirala	June 14.
Manila	Pres. Taft	June 14.
Straits	Calchas	June 14.
Shanghai and Swatow	Pronto	June 14.
Saigon	Laos	June 14.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 10th June.	Imperial Airways Plane	June 15.
Manila	Corneville	June 15.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., date 27th May)	Emp. of Russia	June 15.
Shanghai	Bhutan	June 16.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	Haruna Maru	June 16.
Shanghai	Gertrude Maersk	June 16.
Manila	Nako Maru	June 17.
Straits	Patroclus	June 17.
Shanghai	Heiyo Maru	June 17.
Haiphong	Canton	June 17.
Calcutta and Straits	Kutsang	June 17.
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For	Per	Date and Time.
	TUESDAY	
Swatow	Seistan	June 13, 3 p.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt Marseilles and London—due London, 20th July.	Agamemnon	Tuesday, June 13.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Par.,	Tues., June 13, 5.00 p.m.
	WEDNESDAY	
Swatow	Kwaisang	Wed., June 14, 12.30 p.m.
Amoy	Tsinan	Wed., June 14, 3.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Taisang	Wed., June 14, 4.00 p.m.
	THURSDAY	
Swatow	Hoihow	June 15, 1.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard and Pakhoi	Soochow	June 15, 2 p.m.
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A., by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 21st June.	Pan American Airways Plane	Thursday, June 15.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Wed., June 14, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Wed., June 14, 5.30 p.m.
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Wed., June 14, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Thur., June 15, 7.30 a.m.
Manila	Emp. of Russia	Thur., June 15.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A. Central and South America via San Francisco, and (Papers only for Canada)—due San Francisco, 6th July—and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia.	Pres. Taft	Thursday, June 15.
	K.P.O.	
	Par.,	Thur., June 15, 4.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	Thur., June 15, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Thur., June 15, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Par.,	Thur., June 15, 4.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	Thur., June 15, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Thur., June 15, 7.00 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 22nd June.	Imperial Airways Plane	June 15,
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	June 15, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	June 15, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	June 15, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	June 15, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 23rd June.	Imperial Airways Plane	June 15,
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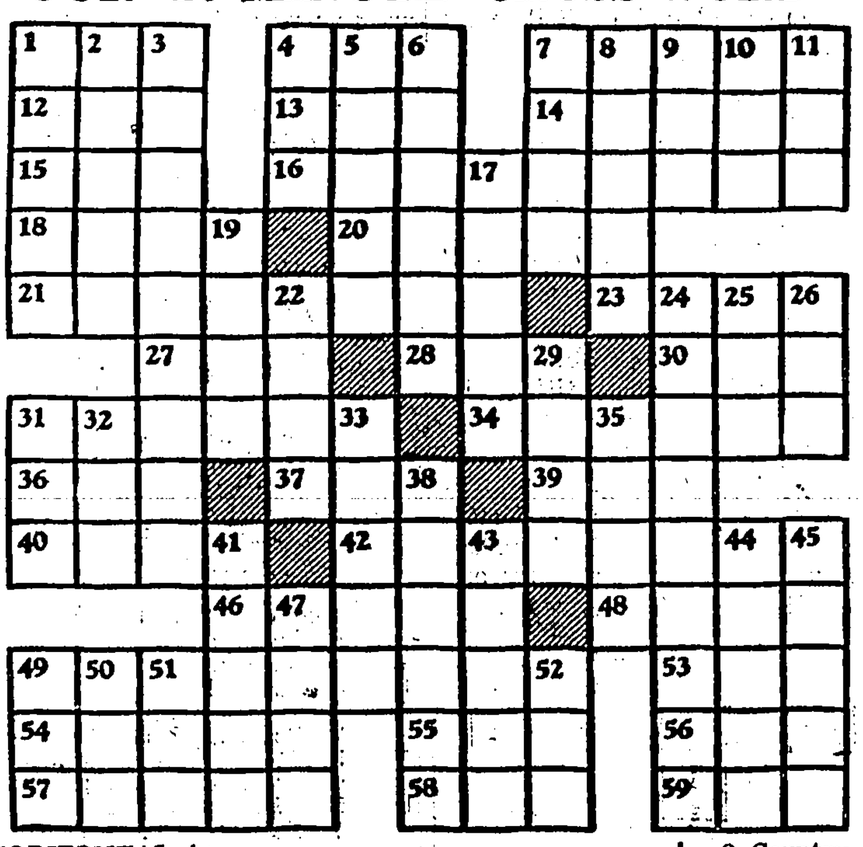

HORIZONTAL

1 Algonquian Indian
4 Beast of burden
7 Musical study
12 His Royal Highness (abbr.)
13 German interjection
14 Cogitates
15 Norse goddess
16 Translucent elastic tissue (anat.)
18 A continent
20 Seditious outbreaks
21 Inhabitant
23 Genus of maples
27 Prefiix; three
28 To attune
30 Metallic rock.
31 Biblical strong man
34 Pertaining to skin
36 Greek letter
37 Bow
39 To thrash (slang)
40 Point of compass
42 Real estate brokers
46 Checks
48 Greenland settlement
49 Renews
53 Girl's name
54 Russian stockade
55 Ever (contr.)
56 Over (contr.)
57 More rational
58 Dead letter office (abbr.)
59 Born

VERTICAL

1 To cut
2 To get up
3 Festive holiday
4 Antarctic Circle (abbr.)
5 Startle
6 Dwindle
7 Send forth
8 Oklahoma city
9 Country (abbr.)
10 To stab
11 Point of compass
17 Carried (coll.)
19 Ventilates
22 Man's name
24 Turmoil
25 Period of time
26 Relating (abbr.)
29 Cheer
31 Observe
32 Member of Indonesian tribe
33 Persian water wheel
35 Value
38 Noticed
41 Figure of speech
43 East Indian fowl
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50 Japanese caste
51 Girl's nickname
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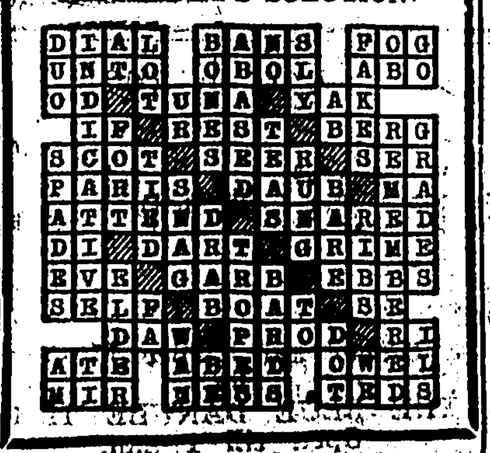

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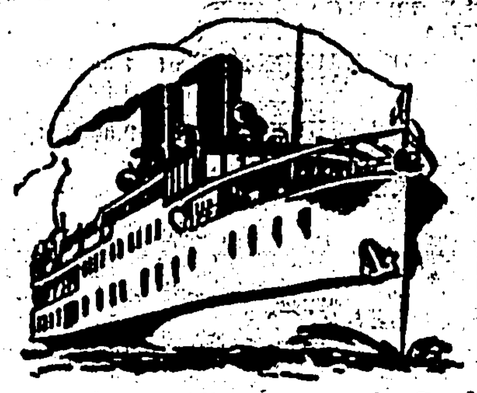

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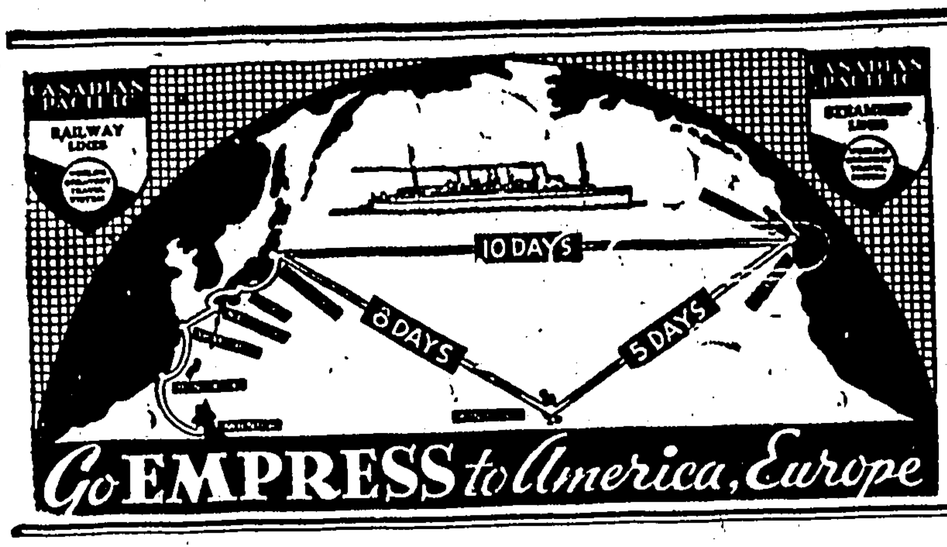

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Brilliant Pilot Dies From Germ Caught In China

Twelve years ago, when I was learning to fly, the most brilliant pilot in the school was young H. H. Leech, son of Sir Joseph Leech, M.P., says J. D. S. Alan, air correspondent of "Sunday Dispatch."

He joined the R.A.F., and did very well. Most of his spare time was spent in racing, and so good was he that he was quite in demand as an aerial jockey.

STUNT FLYING

At upside-down, and all forms of stunt flying, he was superlative. Once I flew him round a race circuit so that he could memorise the turns, and he rebuked me for spinning.

"I never spin," he said, "because the machine is out of control, and I don't like machines out of control—even for a second."

In 1931 he was, at the age of 22, the "baby" of the Schneider Trophy team. Unfortunately he was pulled out to replace a test pilot who had been killed in an accident.

"I could not look Leech in the face," said Squadron Leader Orlebar, who had to break the news.

AT AIR MINISTRY

Last year I met Flying Officer Leech at Waterloo Station. He introduced me to his beautiful young wife, bride of a few months. He said he had a desk at the Air Ministry.

"You—at a desk?" I was incredulous.

He told me that while serving in an aircraft-carrier in China waters he had been infected with some mysterious germ. They did not know what it was. They knew only the results. He would never fly again in the Service, but he was planning to sneak in some private flying. He was very steady and cheerful about it.

Four months ago he went to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, after struggling against his mysterious malady for 15 months. Now he is dead at 31.

TURKS' REBUFF FOR GERMANY

A further order by Turkey for British rolling stock to the value of £500,000 has been announced.

At the same time a £2,250,000 contract, reported to have been secured by a German group, has not yet been signed.

The British contract is for the supply of 300 railway wagons. Together with a big order for locomotives, it brings the total value of orders recently placed in Britain to £1,500,000.

It is the first order coming under the £16,000,000 credit granted by Britain to Turkey in May, 1938.

The German contract referred to was for the construction at Gueldjuk, on the Sea of Marmora, of a modern naval base.

It was stated last month that this contract had been obtained in the face of keen competition by British and Dutch concerns.

Now, however, it is believed to be held up by recent political developments and may be placed elsewhere. The Anglo-Turkish defensive agreement is undoubtedly one of the political factors at work.

I.R.A. THREAT TO M.P.

A letter signed "I.R.A.," bearing a London postmark, and containing a threat upon his life, has been delivered at the House of Commons to Mr. W. S. Liddall, M.P. for Lincoln.

On the advice of the police, Mr. Liddall cancelled an engagement to speak at an eve of the poll meeting in the North Southwark constituency.

The letter was printed in block capitals and said that Mr. Liddall was "going to be shot."

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Nazi View Of Future War

THE VIEWS HELD BY THE GERMAN GENERAL STAFF ABOUT THE CHARACTER OF A FUTURE WAR ARE AUTHORITATIVELY OUT-LINED IN A PAMPHLET, "DEFENCE POLICY," BY LT.-GEN. HORST VON METZSCH, A WELL-KNOWN WRITER ON MILITARY SUBJECTS.

During the war he was Chief of Staff of the Twelfth German Army Corps.

"We can see our salvation only in a harder stroke," he writes, "never in a 'long wind.' We must never against give the world a chance to exhaust our striking power before a decision is reached so that we then succumb to superior economic endurance.

"The search for a quick decision," he adds, "requires that no limitations which might delay victory must be imposed on the employment of force. Our reply to anyone who says that we must aim at the humanisation of war is that the shortest wars are the most humane and the longest the most barbarous."

"AGGRESSIVE POSITIONS"

Gen. von Metzsch adopts the interesting standpoint that any future war in which Germany is engaged must of necessity be a "defensive war" because she will be defending herself against the Treaty of Versailles.

Consequently, any attack made by Germany in any direction would be a "provoked" attack.

It is significant that among the "aggressive positions" against Germany created by the Treaty of Versailles he mentions the handing over of the Brenner frontier to Italy and of Strasbourg to France, as well as the creation of an independent Czechoslovakia and Austria.

WHY IT IS CALLED WHITE HOUSE

Washington's White House, where King George met President Roosevelt, was once known as "Executive Mansion." It was the British who unwittingly gave it the name the world knows well.

As an act of retaliation for the burning of York, now Toronto, by the American troops during the War of Independence, the British forces sailed up the Potomac and burned the Capitol and President's home.

To hide the scars the drab buff stone exterior was given a coat of white paint. But it was not until long afterwards, during Theodore Roosevelt's Presidency, that the white-looking house became officially the White House.

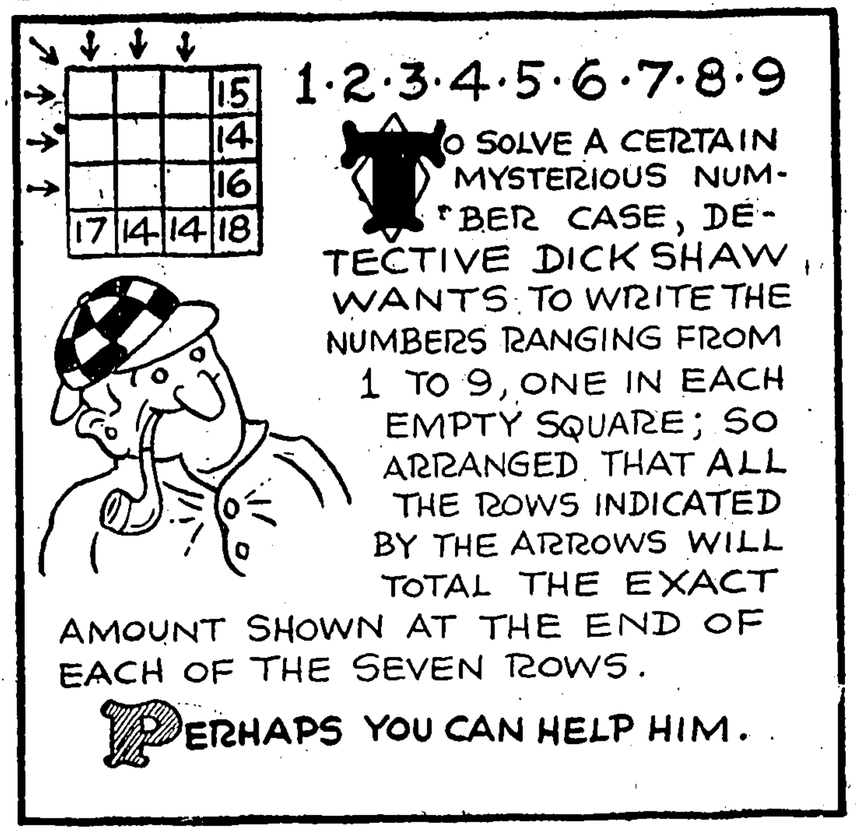
MEDITERRANAEN STRATEGY

(Continued from Page 15)

our Fleet, provided it still had surface control could blockade the entrance and exit.

But the capture of Egypt and of Palestine (which would inevitably follow) would make that control infinitely more difficult by depriving us of Alexandria and Haifa, which are at present our only two bases in the eastern basin. We should then have to fall back on the harbours of Greece and Turkey, whose promise of support one likes to think has already been secured.

CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



Answer to-morrow.

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:
1—shirt
2—cigars
3—watch
4—stockings
5—umbrella

Crises Don't Worry Hitler —

He Has Put On 3½ Lbs.

LONDON, MAY 26.

A STATISTICAL WORK OF 30 PRINTED PAGES "ALL ABOUT THE FUEHRER" HAS BEEN RELEASED BY THE GERMAN MINISTRY OF PROPAGANDA AND SENT TO ALL GERMAN NEWSPAPERS.

The work is a personal history and balance sheet of Herr Hitler for 1938.

During that year Herr Hitler increased his weight by three and a half pounds, turning the scales at ten and a half stone.

He had 8,922 telephone calls, which he personally answered or requested.

The Fuehrer made 97 speeches in 1938.

During the same business year Herr Hitler bought two raincoats, one of then made of leather, three lounge suits, four parade uniforms, four new caps, three pairs of gloves, two pairs of shoes, and had two artificial teeth fitted.

He visited the theatre 31 times. He saw "Tovarich", a play with anti-Bolshevist tendencies, three times, and on three occasions he was present at the operetta "The Merry Widow."

JEWISH AUTHORS

As a curiosity it should be mentioned that both of these plays which pleased Herr Hitler so much have Jewish authors.

"Tovarich" was written by Jaques Deval, a Frenchman, and the book of "The Merry Widow" was written by Leo Stein, an Austrian.

For the first time it is officially stated that Herr Hitler's yearly salary is 100,000 marks, about £8,500, which he spends almost wholly on charitable purposes.

For his personal needs Herr Hitler spent only 1,737 marks in 1938, about £120—£10 a month.

PROTEST AGAINST UNDERPAYING OF WOMEN WORKERS

London, To-day.

The low wages being paid to women by British industry is being protested against by Trade Union industrial workers who are to organize a campaign shortly for a minimum rate of two pounds a week for female workers.

Commenting on the decision of the trade unions which was reached this week at a meeting of the executive committee, the "Daily Herald" reports that women at present receive between 26 and 32 shillings a week for 48 hours work.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-3/4.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 19-13/16 and forward at 19-5/8.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.$4.6843 and the New York on London rate £—U.S.$4.68-9/16.

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LEAGUE TENNIS

South China Encounter Little Opposition From K.C.C.

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Well-Balanced Team Should Finish Up Well

DISPLAYING far more steadiness and generally exploiting the type of game likely to meet with success in the League, South China yesterday beat Kowloon Cricket Club in the "A" Division of the Tennis League by 7-2.

K.C.C. never offered any sort of a threat and were down 2½-½ after the first round and 4½-1½ after the second.

The losers were without the services of D.J.N. Anderson yesterday but his presence is likely to have made little difference. A. V. White, who took his place, gave a very useful display and if he were more reliable off the ground, would definitely make an excellent First Division player.

Feature of his game yesterday was his fine volleying but lack of understanding with his partner. S. A. Gray, resulted in numerous mistakes overhead.

Gray was his usual impetuous self. He played some brilliant shots, especially overhead, but was unable to maintain a rally long enough against opponents who were content to retrieve everything, to be really successful.

Nevertheless, White and Gray deserve full marks for their splendid efforts in their last two sets. In the second, playing dashingly, they took a lead of 4—2 and only went down 5—7 and in the final set, after being 2—5 down, came up from behind to share honours at 6-all.

E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett were disappointing as a combination. Fincher was far too prone to make mistakes, probably due to the slippery nature of the courts which made good footwork and recovering difficult, while Burnett was inclined to be erratic off the ground.

The latter struck an inspired spell in the second set, however, when his killing overhead and drive volley contributed greatly to a 7—5 victory —the only one registered by K.C.C.

Grim Struggle

Guest and Crawford were featured in a grim struggle with A. Chan and J. Hsu in their first set, which was shared, but thereafter met with scant

success. This combination was another which showed little understanding.

First two South China pairs were impressive. They played the cautious type of game that is so difficult to beat over one set.

Szeto Bick covered court excellently and made few mistakes overhead, while C. K. Chau gave him every support.

Most impressive was F. C. Wong, a well-equipped stroke player with a good knowledge of courtcraft. His combination with Liu Kwai-fan, a very steady player, was an ideal one and very little got past this pair.

A. Chan and J. Hsu were the only pair K.C.C. were able to make any impression on. Chan was steadiness personified but his partner was far too impetuous to be effective.

On their display yesterday South China should be fairly well up in the League table at the end of the season. They have a very well-balanced team which will take a lot of beating.

C. K. Chan and Szeto Bick (South China).
beat E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett ..... 6—3
beat A. E. P. Guest and A. Crawford ..... 6—3
beat A. V. White and S. A. Gray 7—5

F. C. Wong and K. F. Liu (South China).
beat Fincher and Burnett ..... 6—4
beat Guest and Crawford ..... 6—3
beat White and Gray ..... 6—4

A. Chan and J. Hsu (South China).
lost to Fincher and Burnett ... 5—7
drew with Guest and Crawford . 6—6
drew with White and Gray .... 6—6

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Capt. Sale's office is in Command Headquarters, Tel. H.Q. No. 7.

TENNIS POSSIBLE TO-DAY

Despite the heavy rainfall of last night, the improvement in the weather this morning makes League tennis possible.

There are two "key" matches down for decision this afternoon. At King's Park, South China, biggest threat to the title aspirations of C. R. C., entertain the latter team, while at Cox's Road, Kowloon Cricket Club "A" meet Craigengower Cricket Club, who, despite an early set-back at the hands of Hong Kong Cricket Club, are one of the most powerful teams in the League.

It was stated at South China this morning that play will be possible provided no further rain falls, while K.C.C. will not be able to give a decision until 2.30 this afternoon although it is believed that play will be possible provided the weather keeps fine.

Following is the programme and some of the teams:—

S.C.A.A.	v	C.R.C.
K.I.T.C.	v	C.D.R.
K.C.C. "A"	v	C.C.C.
H.K.C.C.	v	C.S.C.C.

S.C.A.A.—C. S. Dew and W. T. Lee; W. H. Ho and J. Hsu; H. K. Ho and H. T. Bee.

K.I.T.C.—S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain; M. O. Hoosen and A. Rahmin; F. Khan and M. A. Khan.

C.D.R.—A. M. Remedios and M. A. Oliveira; W. A. Reed and H. S. Gonsalves; L. F. V. Ribeiro and A. M. Silva.

K.C.C. (A)—F. Grose and A. V. White; W. M. Gittins and B. Soltau; N. A. E. Mackay and R. T. Broadbridge.

C.C.C.—G. Choy and W. J. Howard; E. Zimmern and G. Li; R. Choy and J. Leonard.

H.K.C.C.—E. E. Storey and J. J. Ferguson; B. O'M. Deane; W. H. Jowitt; T. J. Gould and T. C. Monaghan.

C.S.C.C.—I. Agafuroff and B. Agafuroff; J. A. Bendall and W. J. Skinner; A. Peck and J. Bicknell.

SOUTH CHINA'S FIRST SWIMMING GALA

The first swimming gala of South China Athletic Association last night proved to be very popular and, judging by the large gathering, augurs well for the season.

The results were as follows:—

Rowing (1 mile)—1, Wong Chee-hung; 2, Chu Wai-lam.

TENNIS

FRENCH WOMEN'S TOURNEY

Paris, To-day. — In the French lawn tennis championships, women's quarter-finals, Madame Mathieu, of France, beat Mlle. Weivers, of Luxembourg, 6—3, 6—3.

Mlle. Jedrzejowska, of Poland, beat Madame Halff, of France, 4—6, 6—2, 6—4.

Mlle Pannetier, of France, beat Miss Hardwick, of Britain, 7—5, 6—4, and

Madame Lebailly, of France, beat Mrs. Fabyan, of America, 6—1, 6—1.—Reuter.

HOME CRICKET

YORKSHIRE CONSOLIDATE

London, To-day.

Yorkshire, holders of the County Cricket Championship for the past two seasons, are going to be very difficult to displace from the head of the table this season.

Following on several fine performances, they scored a magnificient victory over their nearest rivals, Middlesex, in two days, by an innings and 246 runs.

Yorkshire batted first and declared at 430 for 5, Sutcliffe and Leyland both batting very well, and they then dismissed Middlesex for 62 and 122, Bowes and Verity doing all the damage.

Yorkshire—430 for 5 dec. (Sutcliffe 175, Leyland 180 not out).
Middlesex—62 (Bowes 5 for 20, Verity 4 for 17) and, followed on, 122 (Verity 4 for 20).

In another match which finished yesterday, Gloucester beat Essex by an innings and 93 runs.
Essex—150 and 182 (Lambert 5 for 44).
Gloucester—425 (Emmett 99).—Reuter.

200 yds. free style (open to Chinese Press)—1, Lo Hung-sze 2, Lo Chee-hing.

Ladies' 100 yds. free style—1, Yeung Sau-chun; 2, Lee Cheuk-wah.

Men's 100 yds. back stroke—1, Lui Sek-kwan; 2, Kwok Hon-ming.

Girls' and Boys' 50 yds. free style—1, Kan Sau-tsun; 2, Yuen Tse-min.

Novelty Race—1, Chu Wai-lan; 2 Ng Yee-man.

Ladies' 200 yds. breast stroke—1, Tsang Fung-kwan, 2, Lee Cheuk-wah.

Men's 200 yds. breast stroke—1, Ho Hon-kan; 2, Lo Pui-yun.

All season swimmers—200 yds. relay —Ho Yuk-kwan's team; 2, Yeung Chu-nam's team.

The S.C.A.A. team defeated the Royal Navy by five goals to one in a water polo match.

At the conclusion of the sports, Mrs. Chan Fung-sau presented the prizes.

AMATEURE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP--3RD DAY

Fellow American Knocks Out Yates At Hoylake

Thomson Falls To Royal Liverpool Backmarker

BRUEN'S VICTORY; MARCH CONTINUES

Hoylake, May 25.—With the defeat of both Charles Yates, the United States holder of the title, and Hector Thomson, who came South as the spearhead of Scotland's challenge in the Amateur Golf Championship here to-day, the query that now governs speculation to-night is — Who will meet James Bruen, the brilliant young Irish player, in the final?

That is assuredly looking ahead, since we have still 32 competitors in the field, but Bruen further consolidated the position he holds as favourite by the exhibition of power with which he overwhelmed E. D. Hamilton, the Scottish champion, to-day.

So far, this 19-years-old prodigy has impressed himself on the event with something of the inevitability of the old-time heroes, and now that Yates and Thomson have gone, his path to the title, on paper at any rate, appears to have been appreciably opened out.

One opinion I heard to-day emphasises the Bruen possibilities. Henry Cotton, who is watching the Championship, says that the Irish youth must be the best amateur in the world, and expresses the view that if he competes in the Open Championship, and keeps his head, he will line up with the best there also.

Bruen told me to-day that he is going to St. Andrews for the Open in July, and that he is feeling ever so much fitter and better able to stand the racket of these big occasions, after the systematised training he has put in under the doctor's supervision during the past winter. He is most of two stones lighter than he was last year.

THOMSON'S STRUGGLE

Late this evening, Press tent typewriters are beating out a feverish tattoo. Thrills have piled up late in the day, for after a dull morning in the news sense, though charming and sunny again so far as the weather was concerned, the championship poured us out a liberal libation of excitement this afternoon.

Hector Thomson's death struggle to the eighteenth hole against C. W. Timmis, the Royal Liverpool backmarker, roused the hundreds of spectators as much as anything, for the poker-faced Scot, though putting up nothing showy so far, was everywhere regarded as one of the greatest fighting forces in the championship. But one sensational stroke played by him did, I regret to say, rather cut across that grand reputation the Glasgow player and champion of three years ago has built up.

One stroke should not mar a golfer's fame any more than one swallow does not make a summer, but Thomson's second to the crucial eighteenth hole this evening will be remembered as one of the most dramatically disappointing of his career, and will present an unfortunate companion picture in recollection to the masterpiece pitch with which he brilliantly snuffed out big Jim Ferrier, the Australian, in the championship at St. Andrews three years ago.

Let me set the scene. Hundreds of spectators racing for view-points along the whole fairway; the Liverpool golfer in the commanding position of 1 up: Thomson in one of his tightest corners, fighting for his life. Both drives were well hit, and found their billets in the middle of the fairway. Timmis had to play first, and when he hit his second with a shade of cut into the deep grass on the right of the green with a bunker to pitch over, the door was opened a very dangerous bit more for an adversary who, as a rule, is only too willing and too able to seize chances of this sort. As the Americans say, he has what it takes.

THE FATAL STROKE

Thomson stepped up to his ball on the fairway, and deliberated lie and length. Spectators fully expected him to lay the ball somewhere close to the flag, but, to everybody's utter amazement, and the consternation of the Scottish "fans," he unexplainably got under the ball, and bludgeoned away his winning chance by knocking it no more than forty yards.

I shall not spin out the agony of this hole. Thomson was well past the hole in three; Timmis chipped over the bunker neatly inside him, and with the half and the match as safe-looking for him as the Bank of England, he eventually holed his five yards putt for a 4. It was a big putt, but it was an easy one.

Thomson inclines to be a slow starter, but to-day at the beginning of this match he gave his steady fighting Hoylake opponent too much rope. It all began with a bad self-inflicted jolt by the Scot, who putted poorly on the first green, and finally knocked Timmis's ball into the hole, and so became one down. He was two down at the third, and though he fought back to the all-even position not on his best golf, Scottish hopes were that, having got on terms, he could make his way through.

The Royal Liverpool golfer hit heavily, however, by winning the twelfth and thirteenth holes; the short one with a 2, and the Scot was left to fight through to the climax I have described. His golf, however, was definitely sub-standard. At the sixteenth he only half hit his brassie, but pulled out a very accurate chip, and holed a two yards putt to get a hole back.

CROONER GOLFER

At the seventeenth he was bunkered on the right from the tee, but as Timmis was in the rough twice on the left. Thomson was still in the hunt, both on in three and the English player facing the longer putt. Thomson's two yards putt just missed to win the hole, and so he went one down to the home green, and, as I have described, to his doom.

If the champion had to go, America will derive some consolation from the fact that it was another American who brought the defeat about. This result puts Richard D. Chapman, the New York campaigner, who is competing for the third time in the British event more prominently on the championship map. In previous reports I have indicated his possibilities, especially since he holds an immense potentiality in his putter. Twenty-eight years old, Chapman, by his own account, has had a career of swiftly mixed fortune.

Son of a keen golfer who was senior champion of the States, he came over here a season or two ago with Joe Ezar, the professional, as tutor companion, and in the past winter he has been acting as master of ceremonies and crooner in a Florida night club where he sang for the patrons.

What concerns us more here, however, are the facts that he was semi-finalist in last year's American Championship; that he has jumped up to fourth position in the national ranking and that he uses a putter that before the end of a week may be worth its weight in gold.

That putter has made history. It is of aluminium, and he had it altered before his trip to this country two years ago, but on his return to the States he gave it away to a young friend of his. Subsequent putting made him regret that gift, and he often sighed for its former magic. By a happy chance he was able to get the club back again just before this British campaign, and at the beginning of this week it began to function for him at its best.

PUTTER MAGIC

In the fractricidal act that putt Yates out of the Championship to-day, that putter was the lethal weapon. Neither Yates nor Chapman did anything in

the first five holes to bear a resemblance to the more fearsome examples of American golf. They took their three putts like you and me; got into bunkers, and behaved in a thoroughly human fashion. But immediately after the turn Chapman turned on the heat with that putter, and the Yates hope simply curled up before the fiery blast.

Chapman holed four putts between the tenth and fifteenth, which ranged from five yards to fifteen, and that is the story in a nutshell. Yates strove hard to ward off what was coming to him. He nearly holed a chip at the eleventh, and he parked a beautiful tee stroke at the short thirteenth, but he was beaten, 4 and 3. The laughing campaigner took his defeat in the sporting spirit that was expected of him. "That's how it goes," he commented "It's mighty hard to win this title twice, and it's not easy to win it once."

The winner of this match looks like going forward with plenty of confidence, and the draw may bring him and Gordon Peters together to-morrow afternoon, and if this match eventuates, and Peters loses, the American may pass on to the final. A Bruen-Chapman final would restage their Sandwich match, which the American won.

Bruen, like Chapman, won his match to-day before a large crowd of spectators, who saw him outgun Hamilton completely. The little Ralston player held him as well as he could, but this disparity was bound to come down sooner or later on the side of the Irish player.

The third hole, which runs to 480 yards, and was against the wind, provides an illuminating specimen. Bruen hit a tremendous drive here, one of the longest of the Championship, which outranged Hamilton by fully sixty yards, and was on the edge of the green with a No. 4 for his second. At other holes the little Scot was at the same disadvantage, and, though Bruen has a curious-looking drive, it never gives way, and his only faults were on the greens in the early stages.

HAMILTON CRUSHED

Bruen employed his power to capture the eighth and eleventh, and his putting to win the tenth. Hamilton was through the tenth green, and, as he had done more than once, putting short when he might have forced a half, but the Irish player holed a putt of about three yards for a 4 after being in the rough. He then hit a glorious iron to within a few yards of the eleventh flag and Hamilton, trying to get the distance with a cleek, had to pitch on from the edge of a bunker.

So it went, and Hamilton was slowly but ruthlessly crushed; became three down with four to go, and then was beaten.

Bruen now meets Ronnie Inglis, the young Anglo-Scot, who beat Johnstone, a golfer from India, by putting on the screw as he has done in his other matches at the end. Inglis won the sixteenth for the lead, and then laid a perfect iron within five feet of the seventeenth pin. That meant "curtain" for the overseas contender.

Gordon Peters won, but had a close call from Bromley Davenport, and after a match of the dog-fight type he snatched himself from the jaws of death with recoveries at the seventeenth and eighteenth, the former to get the lead and the other to hold it. Bromley Davenport must have had a glimpse of hope when Peters hit his second nearly into the refreshment marquees at the eighteenth, but he came back from there with a fine stroke that made his winning half sure.

A. T. Kyle, though not playing as well as he can through the green, chipped and putting in his machine-like way, and now meets Stanley Morrison. Walter M'Leod, who beat Tolley yesterday, kept on chipping short of the flag, and was beaten by Dr. Tweddell, who was champion here twelve years ago.

GOLF

NELSON WINS AT LAST!

Philadelphia, To-day.

Byron Nelson, returning a 70 against Craig Wood's 73, won the American Open Golf Championship on the second play-off.

Originally Nelson, Wood and Shute tied for first place. First play-off resulted in a further tie between Nelson and Wood.—Reuter.

STANLEY WOODS WINS JUNIOR T.T.

Douglas (Isle of Man), To-day.

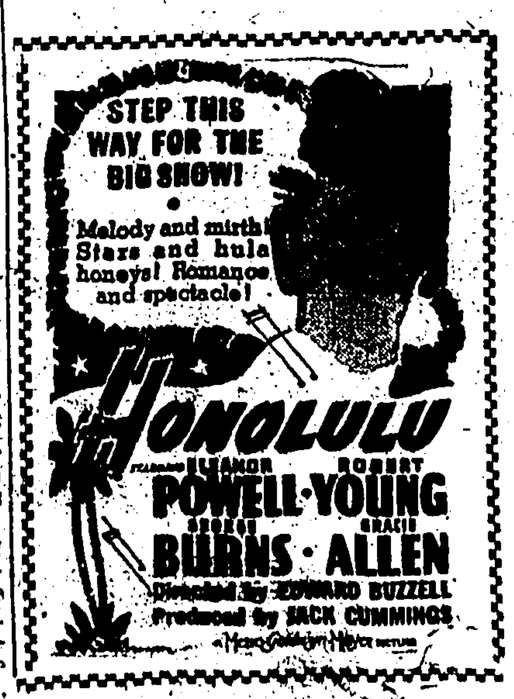
Stanley Woods, driving a Velocette, won the motor-cycling Junior Tourist Trophy, covering 264 miles in 3 hours, 10 minutes, 30 seconds at an average speed of 83.192 m.p.h.

H. L. Daniel, riding a Norton, was second in 3 hours, 10 minutes, 38 seconds at an average of 83.13 m.p.h.

H. Fleischmann, of Germany, riding a D.K.W., was third in 3 hours, 12 minutes, 5 seconds at an average of 82.51 m.p.h.—Reuter.

OXFORD BLUE BEATS VINES

Ellsworth Vines, the U.S. tennis star, was beaten this afternoon by John Baillieu, an Oxford Blue, all the way from the Antipodes, after both had burned up the grass in morning matches with averages of three under 4s. The Australian beat Vines by 2 and 1, and suggests himself, both by his power and skill, as a danger possibility. With Ronnie Inglis, who is 18, two other youths have come through, viz., Tom Hiley, who is 19, and Kenneth Thom, who is 17. Thom is Essex champion, and is the "discovery" of the championship.



"CULTURED" HEAVYWEIGHTS

First came "Red" Clarence Burman in his morning attire, with cut-away coat, striped trousers, yellow vest, and tall hat to complete the unpugilistic outfit. Now comes Henry Armstrong.

Armstrong is here to defend his world welterweight title against the British champion, Ernie Roderick. Maybe Roderick has a surprise in store for Armstrong. If so, he alone holds the key to it, for his past performances do not fill one with optimism, viewed by comparison with those of Armstrong.

Armstrong is a deceiving kind of person. He sits back and talks of literature. He carries a typewriter around with him and likes to knock off and occasional short story or a poem. "Ma wife loves 'em."

He uses part of his winnings to keep a Southern church in good order. His father-in-law is the preacher and often Armstrong wanders down South and says the lessons.

He wants to make another 100,000 dollars before he retires. "That may take me a couple of years," he drawls. Just £200 a week.

He will be paid £10,000 for his fight against Ernie Roderick and then he returns to New York to draw down another £10,000 in a return fight with Lou Ambers, who he admits gave him the toughest fight of his career.

Roderick will have to be on his toes from the word go, because Armstrong blasts his way to victory in the scorching manner of a human blow-lamp, bewildering his luckless opponents by the hurricane speed at which his power-packed fists crash home from all points of the compass.

Within twelve months Armstrong won three world titles at different weights, starting his collection of scalps by knocking out little Peter Sarron and adding, in swift succession, Barney Ross welter title and Lou Amber's lightweight crown.

No fighter has ever held these three titles before. The odds against it happening again are astronomical.

It is a far cry from the hungry kid selling papers in a Southern town to the well-dressed young man, lolling back in a Mayfair flat, tapping out short stories and poems on a typewriter.

78 OUT OF 79 RUNS!

London, May 12.—Compton, the 20-years-old Middlesex and England batsman, yesterday took part in a remarkable last-wicket stand against Essex at Lord's, scoring 78 out of the 79 runs added in partnership with Gray, the last man in, who scored 1 not out.

Compton altogether made 181, the highest score of his career. His previous highest was also against Essex, 180 not out last year.

BOXING

M'AVOY RETAINS MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE

London, May 23.

FIGHTING against a rock-like defence in most of the rounds, Jock M'Avoy, Rochdale, successfully defended his British middle-weight championship by outpointing Arthur ("Ginger") Sadd, of Norwich, at Belle Vue, Manchester, last night.

It was M'Avoy's aggression that won him the fight, but he had all his work cut out to score his victory. The cheers at the end of the fifteen interesting rounds went to Sadd, however, for his ability to counter M'Avoy's heavier punches.

M'Avoy made the mistake in the early rounds of trying to rush Sadd off his feet. The Norwich man stood close, and, with straight lefts and speedy footwork, kept out of harm's way. M'Avoy showed only occasional glimpses of the whirlwind fighting which has given him so many quick victories, but these spasmodic attacks were sufficient to give him the verdict.

M'Avoy, who is shortly to meet Len Harvey for the light-heavy-weight championship, had a slight weight advantage, scaling 11 st 5 lbs 10 ozs to Sadd's 11 st 4 lbs.

TRADITIONAL ENGLISH STYLE

In characteristic style, M'Avoy opened the fight at a terrific speed, aiming lefts and rights in an effort to bring about a quick finish. Sadd stood up in traditional English fashion, and shot out a capital left to the face. Three times the Norwich man caught the champion with his left, and he looked as cool as a challenger should.

Sadd almost startled M'Avoy with a clever left hook which sent the champion back on his heels at the start of the second round. M'Avoy was certainly the aggressor. He attacked at every possible moment with short arm punches which looked dangerous, especially when Sadd showed an inclination to drop his left hand.

The Rochdale man showed enterprise, for he changed his tactics, and once moved so quickly that he caught Sadd off his balance and only missed the jaw by a fraction. M'Avoy landed a right to the head, and at the end of the third round Sadd looked a trifle shaken. Coming away from a clinch M'Avoy set up a fast two-handed attack to the body and face. Sadd took a punch to the ribs, and, in trying to stall, he received a powerful left hook which made him wince.

M'AVOY TAKES RISKS

M'Avoy's short punches to the head were hurting Sadd, whose pace had slowed up considerably by the fifth round. There was little power in the challenger's blows, and M'Avoy seemed to sense this, for he took risks. The sixth round was Sadd's, if only for the way in which he side-stepped, ducked, and avoided the champion's swings. Both scored with left upper-cuts in the eighth round, in which there was a good deal of close-quarter fighting. M'Avoy caught Sadd unawares with a brilliant right-hand punch to the jaw in the ninth round.

With four rounds to go, and Sadd still showing an impregnable defence, there was not a good deal between them. M'Avoy gained most of his points in the closing rounds in clinches. He knew a little too much for Sadd, who could only make an impression on his man at long range. Sadd jumped away from M'Avoy in the final round, when the Rochdale man went all out for a knock-out. The Norwich man continued to counter M'Avoy's blows, and although not landing himself, gave a good display in the art of self-defence.

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FINAL F.A. COUNCIL MEETING

The last Council meeting the season of the Hong Kong Football Association was held yesterday at the Association's offices when it was revealed that, subject to audit, the net profit for the year was $7448,92.

All the compteitions showed a profit and even the game at Macao, on a different basis than in previous years, resulted in a credit-balance of $14.76.

The Annual General Meeting was fixed for Monday July 10, and it was stated that the President of the Association, Mr. N. L. Smith, would be unable to preside as he would be on leave by then. The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo will be invited to preside.

Several alterations to the rules of the Association will be brought up at the Annual Meeting, the most important being the provision of a post for an Assistant Hon. Secretary.

McCoy Knocked Out The Champion In 45 Secs., But The Crowd Didn't Know He'd Been

By Leo Fuller

TALKED INTO THE TITLE BY HIS MANAGER

WITH typical American satire they call him Dumb Dan Morgan—and he'll talk your ears off in ten minutes. Even the celebrated Jabbering Jimmy Johnston, and the equally famed 'We wuz robbed' Joe Jacobs sink into abashed silence when Dan gets going. He's a boxing manager, and still holds the managerial record of controlling three world champions at the same time—King Levinsky, Al McCoy and Jack Britton. And here's the tale of how he talked an ordinary fighter into a world's heavyweight championship.

In those days Dan had a huge stable of boxers. Every night of the week he had one of his men fighting somewhere in the United States. Among them was a rough, tough plug-ugly by the name of Al McCoy. Reared on the East Side, Al had to use his mitts for mere existence, so by the time he grew up he was a formidable warrior of the slugger type, of pure boxing he knew little, but he was a terrific puncher, a really deadly man when he nailed a foe.

By some managerial genius, Morgan got him matched with George Chip, who was one of the finest middleweight champions the division has ever known, a scientific man from head to foot, a battling boxer with a great defence.

The contest was in a small Brooklyn Hall, and didn't attract much attention, because it was one of those 'no decision' affairs, wherein a challenger had to knock out the champion to win. Nobody figured McCoy would do that; it was just another fight, and not even Dan himself thought much of his fighter's chances—at first.

In the dressing room before the contest, Dan started in on a pet talk. Actually he had only just signed up McCoy and didn't know him very well.

Still, fixing his blue eyes earnestly on McCoy's brown, he let his imagination rip, and painted a glowing picture of the life of a world's champion.

He talked of wine, woman and song; of the colourful carpet that is laid at the feet of a champion boxer. He told him what a wonderful punch he had, and implored him not to think of Chip's superior speed and science. In short he talked as only Dumb Dan could, and finished saying:

"One punch, Al. One punch can do him, and you've got just that dig. Just think what it means to you. . . ."

As if mesmerised, Al drank in every word. His eyes glowed; his mouth was open; he never answered.

At last came the call to enter the ring, and Al walked by Morgan's side with a far away look on his face. Privately Morgan felt that the look would be even more far away by the time Chip was through with him . . . . !

The men looked good as they stripped for action, McCoy, blond, good looking and magnificently muscled. Chip, slighter, yet with an obvious wiriness about him, and an air of altertness.

Fixed Stare

McCoy looked anything but alert as he stood in the centre of the ring, listening to the referee's instructions. He was staring fixedly at the champion, and his lips, though giving no audible sound, were framing words. Dan looked at him in dismay, he though he'd gone nuts. He looked closer, and then he realized with a shock that Al was repeating his own words.

"One punch, Al. One puch can do him, and you've got just that dig. . ."

And then Morgan acted on one of his celebrated hunches. When they returned to their corner he leaned over and hissed in a friend's ear.

"Get down five hundred dollars on McCoy to knock out Chip."

His friend thought he had lost his reason, but went off unwillingly and bet this money—getting ten to one!

McCoy walked stiffly to the centre of the ring, while Chip moved out with trained ease. A long, raking left hand caught Al on the jaw. He took it without countering, and rocked back. Then he leapt back into position, his right glove foremost, his left cocked for action. (He was a southpaw). And did exactly nothing,

Once again he was knocked back. Once again he sprang into position, his face grim, his gloves raised. . . And nothing happened.

The crowd began to boo, imagining that McCoy, overwhelmed by the champion's reputation, was going to lie down. Chip was obviously of the same opinion, because he stepped in and opened up a barrage of punching that drove the challenger on to the ropes and pinned him there.

Savage Assault

Morgan got a glimpse of McCoy's face, and he saw there was still that strained expression, the moving lips, and the far away look in the eyes. The champion's savage assault caused Al to double up on the ropes, his gloves held up, but doing no punching at all. Dan yelled his head off, but McCoy appeared not to hear him, simply stooping lower and catching Chip's punishment on his head.

"My God, he's doped," thought Dan, as he watched the champion use Al like a punching bag, as the fans yelled abuse at the challenger and advice to the champion.

Chip belted freely, and all this time McCoy did not lay a glove on him! At last he stepped back, a little breathless from his whirlwind effort, yet ready to go into the attack again. For a brief second he dropped his guard . . . and the following moments were incredible.

McCoy, still murmuring to himself, still doubled up, drew back that lethal left hand of his, and like a striking serpent it travelled two feet, and bit into the champion's jaw! It was a killing punch, carrying everything with it. As he came up with the blow, Al straightened, thus giving the smash extra catapulted force. Chip hit the boards as if he'd been thrown from a skyscraper . . . a shocked silence fell over the arena, while the referee told off the count . . . At 'ten' Chip was still inert, and, reposing on the head of Al McCoy was the former's crown!

Bedlam broke loose. Al McCoy, just another fighter, had provided an upset of upsets, and had knocked out in forty-five seconds the middleweight king!

Yet the crowd never knew that in reality McCoy had been hypnotised into victory. Dan Morgan had talked him into the title!

Even after, Dan gave McCoy fifteen minutes high pressure conversation before a battle. And when he saw that strange expression come over Al's face, when he saw those lips start moving, he knew it was alright!

As the jubilant Dan hustled out of the dressing room, he was waylaid by a bookmaker, who thrust five thousand dollars of notes into his hand!

"And they call you Dumb, Dan!" he groaned, as he tottered away.

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To-morrow—Broadsword and Rapier. The Jewel of the Ghetto versus the Nebraska Wild Cat.

LAWN BOWLS OPEN PAIRS DRAW

The draw for the Second Round of the Open Pairs Lawn Bowls Competition was made yesterday.

It was agreed that the rinks games postponed from last Sunday be played off by mutual arrangements between the skips, before the end of the week.

The following is the draw for next week's games:—

MONDAY, JUNE 19

At Civil Service C.C.

A. A. Razack		W. Hobbs
J. S. Landolt	v	R. S. Meadows
A. E. Coates		T. L. Lock
B. W. Bradbury	v	W. K. Way
K. M. Omar		J. W. Leonard
U. M. Omar	v	W. Ward

At Kowloon C.C.

J. A. Luz	v	W. J. Burling
L. F. Xavier		E. Kirman
F. V. Riberio		V. Chittenden
L. J. Silva	v	V. Petherick

At Craigengower C.C.

A. Madar		A. Steven
T. A. Madar	v	J. A. R. Selby
F. X. Soares		S. Eccleshall
C. M. Silva	v	A. W. Grimmitt

At Club de Recreio

H. Overy		R. P. Phillips
J. Hyde	v	G. E. F. Thompson
E. V. Searle		W. Mulcahy
J. Watson	v	T. W. Carr
T. E. Robson		A. Bower
N. Nish	v	S. Randle

At Police R.C.

W. Melrose — H. White

J. C. Chalmers v E. E. Atkins

At Hong Kong F.C.

W. R. Hillyer		F. C. Channing
J. Hollidge	v	C. Dowman

At Kowloon B.G.C.

J. E. Noronha		W. J. Howard
C. G. Silva	v	H. Gittins
W. V. Field		F. Goodwin
J. Gibson	v	E. W. Simmons
C. F. Remedios		A. Calman
B. Basto	v	J. C. Brown

At Kowloon F.C.

W. Glendenning		P. J. Hamilton
W. Mair	v	E. Pope
A. S. Russell		H. W. Randall
H. G. Cooper	v	R. Basa
H. A. Alves		G. Tuck
F. V. V. Riberio		L. R. Whant

At Kowloon D.R.C.

A. E. H. Castro		A. L. Eastman
V. N. Atienza	v	W. Grove

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

At Kowloon F.C.

J. S. Logan		E. Zimmern
J. G. Meyer	v	M. J. Medina
A. F. Noronha		F. Machado
A. M. Rodrigues	v	F. X. M. da Silva
R. Duncan		L. C. R. Souza
A. M. Holland	v	C. S. Roselet

At Kowloon B.G.C.

O. P. Remedios		T. Ferguson
E. de Souza	v	W. C. Simpson

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

At Police R.C.

G. S. Ladd		W. J. Penny
J. Pau	v	A. M. Omar

At Hong Kong F.C.

M. Y. Adal		J. Fraser
A. R. Dallah	v	E. C. Fincher

At Craigengower C.C.

W. McLeod		L. A. Collyer
W. Dall	v	F. W. Haynes

At Indian R.C.

E. G. Post — G. W. Duncan

SPORT IN ITS CRADLE

WHEN HACKING WAS LEGAL IN RUGBY UNION

WHY Rugby football should have been chosen as a national game had puzzled many people. For centuries people in England played football of some sort, even if it was only a matter of kicking a ball from one end of a street to the other.

The public schools went a little further, and each built up a traditional game of football, and each code was played only by boys at school, and Old Boys.

At the beginning of the 19th century, when an athletic revival took place, the game of Rugby seems to have resembled the association game, or, as it is known in Australia, Soccer. In 1823, a boy, William Webb Ellis, picked up the ball and ran with it. This changed the whole game and, although the legality of the practice was questioned, the carrying game was adopted, but not until the 'sixties was there any chance of its becoming a national game.

Bigside matches at Rugby School in the original game sometimes had 40 to 100 players on the two sides. Fierce scrummaging was the chief relaxation, and often the bulk of the players were locked together for ten minutes or longer.

It was quite immaterial if they barked their opponents' shins in this rough-and-tumble. In some schoolboy codes there was no umpire to enforce an offside rule, but the offending player had his shins hacked instead—to remind him.

In 1863 a conference was formed to try to evolve some national game of football. There were two schools of thought—one which believed the ball should not be touched with the hands, and the other which maintained that carrying was the essence of football.

This, however, was not what caused the split. The disruption was over what is now regarded as cowardly—hacking. In those days a man who would not give and take hacks was not regarded as being worthy of a place in the team.

It was established with the carrying game (Rugby, as it was to become) that when a man had the ball the opposition could "charge, hold, trip, or hack" him, though holding a player and hacking him at the same time was barred.

"If you do away with hacking," one exponent said, "you will take away all the courage and pluck of the game."

Rugby, however, abandoned the practice in 1866, and made it illegal a little later.

A. E. Carey	v	W. Gill
R. Ellis		W. L. Walker
D. Fitches	v	J. C. Gill

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

At Kowloon C.C.

W. MacCarthy — J. C Remedios

P. Morgan	v	C. C. Pereira
J. W. Macdonald		S. M. White
H. Brown	v	A. J. Hall
J. V. Ramsey		W. E. Hollands
R. Lapsley	v	G. C. Moss

At Craigengower C.C.

J. S. Riddell		J. Hoosen
J. C. Aitkens	v	A. R. Minu

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12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m. — Mozart — Concerto in E Flat Major, K. 271. Walter Gieseking (Piano) and Members of The State Opera House Orchestra, Berlin, conducted by Hans Rosbaud.

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m. — Songs by Jan Kiepura (Tenor).

I Mean To Say I Love You (film 'Give Us This Night').

Sweet Melody Of Night (film 'Give Us This Night').

My Heart Is Always Calling You (film 'My Heart Is Calling').

You, Me And Love (film 'My Heart Is Calling').

1.15 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.30 p.m.—Variety and Dance Music.

Three Pianos—Boogie Woogie Prayer (Lewis, Johnson, Ammons)... Meade Lux Lewis, Pete Johnson and Albert Ammons.

Vocal—There's A Lull In My Life (from 'Wake Up and Live'); It's Swell Of You (from 'Wake Up and Live')....Ruth Etting.

Tangos—Black Orchids; A Ball In Madeira.....Oskar Joost Tango Orchestra.

Vocal—The Funny Old Hills (film 'Paris Honeymoon'); I Have Eyes (film 'Paris Honeymoon').....Bing Crosby with John Scott Trotter & His Orchestra.

Orch.—The Desert Song—Selection (Hammerstein-Romberg) .... Edith Lorand Orchestra.

Organ—Song Of India (Rimsky-Korsakov—arr. Dorsey); When Day Is Done (Katscher & Sylva) ....Sidney Torch.

Orch. — "Sweethearts" — Selection (Herbert & Others)....Louis Levy & His Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—A Scottish Programme with Sir Harry Lauder.

Medley Of Scottish Airs.....Pipers Of The 2nd Batt. The Q.O. Cameron Highlanders under the direction of Pipe-Major T. K. Marshall and Herbert Dawson (Organ).

It's A Fine Thing To Sing (Lauder); We Parted On The Shore (Lauder).....Sir Harry Lauder with Orchestra.

Strathspeys (arr. Diack). Intro: Money Musk; Braes o' Tullimet; Highland Whisky.

Reels (arr. Diack). Intro: Rachel Rae; High Road to Linton; Fight about the fireside; Brown's Reel. ...Scottish Country Dance Orchestra conducted by Michael Diack.

Mr. John Mackay (Lauder).....Sir Harry Lauder with Orchestra.

Bonnie Scotland (arr. Pether)...New Mayfair Orchestra.

6.30 p.m.—Light Orchestral Selections.

Pan And The Wood Goblins (Otto Rathke); Clog Dance (Oscar Fetras)....Pavilion Lescaut Novelty Orchestra.

From Near And Far—Waltz Melodies (arr. Gotz Hohne)....Orchestra Mascotte.

Neapolitan Serenade (Gerhard Winkler); Fairy-Wood Parade—Intermezzo (P. W. Noack)....Joe Bund & His Orchestra.

Immortal Strauss (A Medley of Strauss Waltzes) ..... Viennese Waltz Orchestra.

By The Fireside—Romance (Hippmann).....Frederic Hippmann & His Orchestra.

7 p.m.—Herbert Groh (Tenor) and Jessica Dragonette (Soprano).

Will You Love Me (Pergolesi) ..... Jessica Dragonette (Soprano) with the Renaissance Quintet (In Italian).

You Passed Me By (Bennefeld & Others); A Tender Song (Fenyes-Amberg) ..... Herbert E. Groh (Tenor) with Orchestra (Sung in German).

Alice Blue Gown (McCarthy, Tierney); Through The Doorway of Dreams (from 'Big Broadcast of 1936')....Jessica Dragonette (Soprano) with Orchestra.

Serenade (Heykens-Krutzfeld) ..... Herbert E. Groh (Tenor) with Orchestra (Sung in German).

7.18 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.20 p.m.—A Grieg Programme.

Feuille D'Album; Papillon; Ariette; To The Spring...Arthur De Greef (Piano).

Holberg Suite, Op. 40..... London String Orchestra cond. by Walter Goehr.

Solveig's Song (from 'Peer Gynt') ...Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano). Peer Gynt—Suite No. 1, Op. 46..... London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—Piano Recital by Erik Nelson.

1. Medley of Erik Nelson's Waltzes: (a) Only You alone; (b) To you dear; (c) I ask of you.
2. Parisian Pierrot (Noel Coward) ....Noel Coward (Vocal) with Orchestra.
3. Selection from Noel Coward: (a) Lets say Goodbye; (b) Someday I'll find you; (c) Conversation piece.
4. Any Little Fish ('Cochran's 1931 Revue—Coward) ..... Noel Coward (Vocal) with Orchestra.
5. "Bitter Sweet"—Selection (Noel Coward): (a) Little Cafe; (b) If love were all; (c) I'll see you again.
6. The Stately Homes Of England ('Operette'—Coward); .... Noel Coward (Vocal) with Orchestra.

8.25 p.m.—Jessie Matthews, Jack Buchanan, George Formby and Louis Levy and The Gaumont British Symphony.

I Think I Can (film 'Brewster's Millions'); One Good Tune Deserves Another (film 'Brewster's Millions')....Jack Buchanan (Vocal) with Orchestra.

Empire Builders — March (film 'Rhodes of Africa'); Music From The Movies—March (Louis Levy) ....Louis Levy & The Gaumont British Symphony.

I Can Wiggle My Ears (from 'First a Girl'); Say The Word And It's Yours (from 'First a Girl')..... Jessie Matthews (Vocal) with Orchestra.

Further Adbentures of The Window Cleaner (Formby, Cliff & Gifford) ....George Formby & His Ukulele with Orchestra.

Will You Remember — Waltz (film 'Maytime'); Swing High, Swing Low (from the film)....Louis Levy & His Gaumont-British Symphony.

The Little Silkworm (from 'First a Girl')....Jessie Matthews (Vocal) with Orchestra.

George Formby Medley..... George Formby (Vocal) with His Ukulele and Orchestra.

Jingle Of The Jungle (film 'London Melody').....Louis Levy & His Gaumont-British Symphony.

"The Flying Trapeze"—Selection.... Jack Buchanan (Vocal) with Bruce Carfax Trio and Harry Perritt & His Orchestra.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay — 'Food for Thought'. Short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 p.m.—Orchestral.

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	♠ A K Q J 10 4 ♡ A 9 5 2 ◇ Q ♣ Q 3	

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South	West	North	East
1♠	2◇	Dbl.	3♣
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

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Of course our readers have noted what was wrong with this picture. South had ten tricks cold, and yet managed to go down one. He had made one of the most common mistakes of Bridge-players-failure to count his sure tricks. And in his anxiety to get rid of his losing diamond he threw away a sure game.

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You were Howard Schenken's partner yesterday and the bidding had gone:

Maier	Schenken	Burnstone	You
1♣	1♠	2◇	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Mr. Schenken opened the ten of hearts and dummy showed:

♠ 6 5 4
♡ Q 9 2
◇ A Q J 6 5 3
♣ J

You held:

♠ 10 2
♡ A J 8 6 4 3
◇ 8 4
♣ 9 5 3

Declarer played the deuce of hearts from dummy. What was your play?

ANSWER: Your correct play is the Ace of heart followed by the ten of spades. Mr. Schenken's ten of hearts obviously indicates a short suit and, looking at dummy you can be sure that if Declarer is allowed to win the first trick, he will run six diamonds and almost certainly two clubs. However, if your partner holds five or six spades to the Ace-Queen-Jack, your ten of spades will trap Declarer's King and you will defeat the contract.

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Question No. 124

Neither side is vulnerable. You are David Bruce Burnstone's partner and hold:

♠ 6
♡ K J 6 5 3
◇ K J 9 4 2
♣ Q 2

The bidding:

Jacoby	Burnstone	Maier	You
1◇	1♠	Pass	(?)

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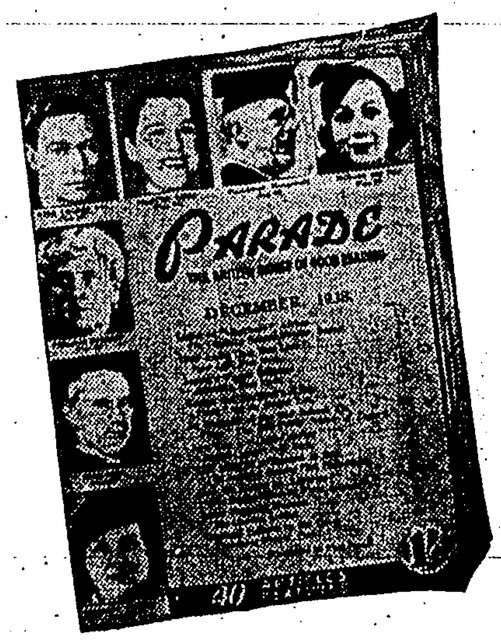

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THE JAPANESE DRIVE TOWARD THE YELLOW RIVER IN WEST SHANSI HAS BEEN SHATTERED, ACCORDING TO A CHINESE STAFF OFFICER.

The officer said that three Japanese columns had developed an encircling movement against Liulin, strategic point in west Shansi, since June 1, their ultimate objective being to "mop up" the Chinese in west Shansi and cross the Yellow River at Kuntu, Cihkow and Sanchiao, three important crossings, to invade Shensi.

ADVANCE CHECKED

The Japanese drive, the officer revealed, suffered the first blow at Wanglaopo Hill, west of Lishih, when their right wing was seriously defeated, suffering some 1,000 casualties. Their left wing also suffered some 600 casualties in a three-hour engagement with the result that its advance on Sanchiao was checked.

The severest combats were fought between the Japanese central column making a direct bid for Liulin. Under the fierce Japanese artillery and aerial bombardment the Chinese at Liulin were compelled to temporarily abandon the town.

COUNTER-DRIVE

A Chinese Division which fought a rearguard action was surrounded by the Japanese. After a four-day bloody fight, it succeeded in breaking through the enemy cordon and joined other Chinese units to launch a counter-drive before the Japanese could get a firm foothold at Liulin. Japanese communications between Lishih and Liulin were immediately cut, the officer said.

Though Japanese vanguards reached Kuntu, one of the important Yellow River crossings in west Shansi, they were unable to hold it. In a series of frontal, pincer and flanking assaults, the Chinese successively recaptured Kuntu, and Liulin. The Japanese began to retire eastward on June 10.—Central News.

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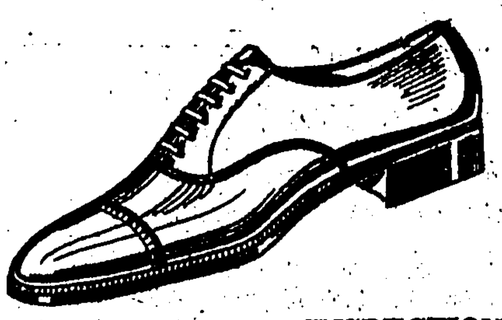

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